



Proclamation Day 2009
St John's Cathedral
Thursday 10 December 2009, 11.30

As 17th Chief Justice of this great State, and on behalf of all Queenslanders, I express gratitude for our constitutional right to elect those who govern us and to speak freely without fear of reprisal; for stable government which respects the primacy of the rule of law; for our independent and incorruptible judiciary; and for the firm assurance these fundamental features of our civil society, entrenched by 150 years' experience, will remain its enduring hallmarks.