

# Dr. John Boersig PSM

Chief Executive Officer  
Chair National Legal Aid and Australian Legal Assistance Forum



## Professional Employment

2013-Present  
CEO Legal Aid ACT

2004- 2013  
Attorney-General's Department

1994-2004  
University of Newcastle

1983-1994  
Aboriginal Legal Service NSW

## Biography

Dr Boersig is CEO of Legal Aid ACT, and current Chair of National Legal Aid and the Australian Legal Assistance Forum.

Prior to this appointment Dr Boersig worked as an Assistant Secretary in the Federal Attorney-General's Department, responsible for a number of areas including Indigenous law and justice and human rights. Before joining the Attorney-General's Department John practiced law in NSW, as a lawyer for the Aboriginal Legal Service and in private practice. In 1994 he established the University of Newcastle Legal Centre, and was Director of the Professional Program for the Faculty of Law. He was a part-time Presiding member of the Guardianship Tribunal for many years.

John has a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Sydney, and is an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Canberra. He was awarded the Public Service Medal in the 2008 Queen's Birthday Honours list.