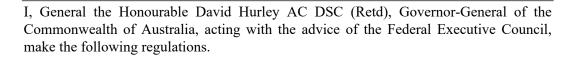


Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment (Public Interest Advocates) Regulations 2023



Dated 13 December 2023

David Hurley Governor-General

By His Excellency's Command

Mark Dreyfus KC Attorney-General



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1 Name

This instrument is the *Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Amendment (Public Interest Advocates) Regulations 2023.*

2 Commencement

(1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information			
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details	
1. The whole of this instrument	The day after this instrument is registered.	23 February 2024	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

(2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under the *Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979*.

4 Schedules

Each instrument that is specified in a Schedule to this instrument is amended or repealed as set out in the applicable items in the Schedule concerned, and any other item in a Schedule to this instrument has effect according to its terms.

Schedule 1—Amendments

Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Regulations 2017

1 Paragraph 18(1)(a)

Omit "Queen's", substitute "King's".

2 After paragraph 18(1)(a)

Insert:

- (aa) the person is practising as a barrister of a federal court or the Supreme Court of a State or Territory and:
 - (i) for at least 10 years has engaged in practice as a barrister; and
 - (ii) has experience in areas of law that the Prime Minister considers relevant; and
 - (iii) has been cleared for security purposes to a level that the Prime Minister considers appropriate; or

3 Subparagraph 18(1)(b)(iv)

Repeal the subparagraph, substitute:

(iv) an inferior court of a State or Territory;

4 At the end of subsection 18(2)

Add:

; (g) a Part 4-1 issuing authority.

5 Subparagraph 24(2)(c)(i)

Omit "Queen's", substitute "King's".

6 After paragraph 24(2)(c)

Insert:

- (ca) the Public Interest Advocate is a person mentioned in paragraph 18(1)(aa) and either:
 - (i) ceases to be a legal practitioner; or
 - (ii) ceases to hold a security clearance to a level that the Prime Minister considers appropriate; or