

# Media Release

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## NEW DEPUTY ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER APPOINTED

Respected corporate leader and distinguished public servant Dana Fleming has been appointed as the new Deputy Electoral Commissioner.

Ms Fleming's appointment follows a distinguished 25-year career including international appointments in the private sector and a senior partnership role at KPMG.

With a proven track record of executive leadership in complex environments and experience in an Australian statutory agency, Ms Fleming is well suited to her new role of Deputy Electoral Commissioner.

A former Deputy Commissioner at the Australian Tax Office, Ms Fleming brings a wealth of experience working in a statutory environment to the Electoral Commission – understanding regulation and compliance, delivering of government programs, and working closely with stakeholders.

As Deputy Electoral Commissioner, Ms Fleming will play a critical statutory function in Victoria. This includes leading the planning of all State, local government and commercial elections, and managing the Commission's engagement with the Parliament's oversight body, the Electoral Matters Committee.

The Deputy Electoral Commissioner also manages the Commission's work with other Australian electoral authorities and local stakeholders to ensure continuous innovation in electoral program delivery.

The Victorian Electoral Commission is an independent and impartial statutory authority established under Victoria's Electoral Act 2002.

Ms Fleming's appointment will start on 18 August 2021. She will replace Ms Elizabeth Williams who served as the Deputy Electoral Commissioner since 2005 until her retirement from the office this year.

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Government Services Danny Pearson

*"Ms Fleming's vast experience over two decades makes her a valuable addition to the Victorian Electoral Commission."*

*"I congratulate Ms Fleming on her appointment and thank former Deputy Electoral Commissioner Elizabeth Williams for her dedicated service over the past 16 years."*