

Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia and

Chancellor of the Order of Australia

February 2018

INVESTITURE ORDINANCE

I, GENERAL THE HONOURABLE SIR PETER COSGROVE AK MC (Retd), the Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, hereby make the following Investiture Ordinance in pursuance of section 30 of the Constitution of the Order of Australia.

Sealed with the Seal of the Order of Australia in the Presence of:

Mark Fraser LVO OAM

Secretary of the Order of Australia

INVESTITURE ORDINANCE

SHORT TITLE

1 This Ordinance may be cited as the Investiture Ordinance.

INTERPRETATION

- 2 (1) In this Ordinance, "Constitution" means the Constitution of the Order of Australia.
 - (2) Unless the contrary intention appears, an expression used in the Constitution and in this Ordinance has the same meaning in this Ordinance as in the Constitution.
 - (3) This Ordinance refers to awards within the General, Military and Honorary divisions.
 - (4) A Warrant to Conduct is an authorisation issued by the Governor-General for a person other than the Sovereign or the Chancellor to conduct an investiture.

INVESTITURES

- 3 (1) A person appointed to the Order or awarded the Medal of the Order shall be invested with the insignia of the Order by the Sovereign or the Chancellor of the Order or by such person, by Warrant to Conduct, as the Sovereign or the Chancellor may authorise.
 - (2) The Chancellor may, by Warrant under the Seal of the Order, permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with in respect of any person named in the Warrant.
- A person appointed as a Companion of the Order shall usually be invested by the Chancellor of the Order at Government House, Canberra in accordance with subregulation 3(1).
- A person appointed to be an Officer or Member of the Order, or a person awarded the Medal of the Order, shall usually be invested by the Governor-General, if the recipient is a resident of the Australian Capital Territory or surrounding region, or the Governor or Administrator in the State or Territory in which the recipient currently resides, in accordance with sub-regulation 3(1).
- A person appointed to the Order or a recipient of the Medal of the Order may be invested overseas, usually by the Australian Ambassador or High Commissioner, if they reside or are resident for the time being, within a foreign country, in accordance with sub-regulation 3(1).
- 7 (1) A person appointed to the Order as a Companion or Officer shall be invested with the Neck Badge insignia suspended from a 38mm ribbon. This ribbon should not be used again in accordance with sub-regulation 7(2).
 - (2) On all subsequent occasions the Neck Badge shall be worn in accordance with sub-regulations 8 or 9 of the Insignia Ordinance.

Note: On occasion it may be desirable for the Governor-General to invest recipients that reside outside the Australian Capital Territory and surrounding region.

Governor-General of the Commonwealth
of Australia and
Chancellor of the Order of Australia

To: Name of Recipient

WHEREAS, with the approval of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Second,
Queen of Australia and Sovereign of the Order of Australia, I have been pleased to
award you the Medal in the General Division of the Order of Australia,
and WHEREAS the ceremony of investing you with the insignia of your dignity in the Order
cannot be conveniently performed, and WHEREAS I have in and by the Statutes of the Order
full power and authority to permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with, I DO
HEREBY dispense with the ceremony of investiture and authorise you to wear the
insignia appertaining to your award of the Medal in the said Order.

Given at Government House, Canberra, under the seal of the Order of Australia this Date.

By His Excellency's Command

Maile Fraser
Secretary of the Order of Australia

Governor-General of the Commonwealth
of Australia and
Chancellor of the Order of Australia

To: **RECIPIENT NAME**

WHEREAS, with the approval of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Second,
Queen of Australia and Sovereign of the Order of Australia, I have been pleased to
appoint you as a Member in the General Division of the Order of Australia,
and WHEREAS the ceremony of investing you with the insignia of your dignity in the Order
cannot be conveniently performed, and WHEREAS I have in and by the Statutes of the Order
full power and authority to permit the ceremony of investiture to be dispensed with, I DO
HEREBY dispense with the ceremony of investiture and authorise you to wear the
insignia appertaining to your appointment as a Member in the said Order.

Given at Government House, Canberra, under the seal of the Order of Australia this DATE.

By His Excellency's Command

Secretary of the Order of Australia

Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia and Chancellor of the Order of Australia

WARRANT TO CONDUCT AN INVESTITURE IN THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

WHEREAS Section 30 of the Constitution of the Order of Australia provides that the Governor-General may make Ordinances prescribing matters for, or in relation to investitures;

AND WHEREAS Sub-Section 3(1) of the Investiture Ordinance made pursuant to the provision of the Constitution of the Order of Australia provides that a person appointed to the Order or awarded the Medal of the Order shall be invested with the insignia of the Order by the Sovereign or the Chancellor or by such other person as the Sovereign or the Chancellor may authorise;

AND WHEREAS, with the approval of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, Queen of Australia and Sovereign of the Order of Australia, I have been pleased to appoint or award Name of Recipient a Level of the Order of Australia in the General Division;

AND WHEREAS the ceremony of investiture cannot be conveniently performed by me;

NOW THEREFORE I, General the Honourable Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, do hereby authorise Name of person who is conducting, Position to invest with the insignia of the said Order, Name of Recipient, at a time and place as may seem most proper.

GIVEN at Government House, Canberra, under the Seal of the Order of Australia this date.

By His Excellency's Command

Secretary of the Order of Australia