## Ombudsman Western Australia

## Media Release



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## New Deputy Ombudsman - Dr Peter Wilkins

The Western Australian Ombudsman Chris Field today announced the appointment of Dr Peter Wilkins to the position of Deputy Ombudsman.

Chris Field said that Dr Wilkins is a highly qualified appointment, "Dr Wilkins brings enormous public sector experience to the office of the Ombudsman and significant expertise in the operation of independent accountability agencies."

Dr Wilkins is currently the Assistant Auditor General, Performance Review at the Western Australian Office of the Auditor General, a position he has held since February 2006. Prior to this he held a number of senior positions in the Office of the Auditor General and has over twenty years experience as a public sector manager.

"The office of the Ombudsman plays a vital role in our modern democracy and Dr Wilkins' appointment will assist us to continue to improve the way that we undertake that role" said Chris Field.

Dr Wilkins holds a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, a Master of Science and a PhD.

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