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Alert to all practitioners from the Legal Services Board and the Legal Services Commissioner

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Legal Services Board 2014 election results

In the [last RPA Alert](#) I drew your attention to the 2014 election for three legal practitioner members to sit on the Legal Services Board. One advocate (barrister) position and two non-advocate (solicitor) positions were available.

The Board entered into an arrangement with the Victorian Electoral Commission (VEC) to conduct the election. The VEC received three nominations as candidates for the advocate position, and 12 nominations for the non-advocate position. The election was held as a postal vote from 8 April to 6 May.

I am pleased to announce that the VEC has now published the results of the election in the [Victorian Government Gazette](#).

The successful candidates were:

Advocate member:

- Mr Peter Jopling AM QC

Non-advocate members:

- Ms Cate Dealehr
- Mr Steven Stevens

In a recent [press release](#), the Board Chairperson, Ms Fiona Bennett acknowledged the level of interest which was shown in the Board's important role in regulating the legal profession.

Ms Bennett congratulated Mr Jopling and Mr Stevens on their re-election, and Ms Dealehr on her election, and also thanked outgoing Board member, Mr Richard Fleming for his considerable contributions to the Board's work. Mr Fleming will conclude his term on 30 June 2014.

The new Board composition will take effect as of 1 July 2014 and the newly elected members will serve a four-year term.

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