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The ABA acknowledges the relationship between the land on which it and its members work and the First Nations' peoples of Australia.

Media release

Australian Bar Association launches national Find-A-Barrister service

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The Australian Bar Association (ABA) is set to launch an Australian first national Find-A-Barrister service on Thursday, 1 September 2022.

The service will showcase the professional profiles of barristers wherever they are based in Australia and identify their areas of speciality and the Australian jurisdictions in which they practice.

President of the ABA, Dr Matt Collins AM QC, said, "The ABA's Find-A-Barrister service will provide solicitors and clients, for the first time, with the ability to identify the best available barristers for their matter from a single search, irrespective of where they are located around Australia. It will reduce the frustration inherent in having to look for barristers on a State-by-State, clerk-by-clerk or chambers-by-chambers basis. Over time, I expect this to become the go-to service to search for Australian barristers."

The service will enable barristers to showcase their qualifications, dates of admission and call, date of taking silk (where applicable), previous occupations and specialised practice areas. The search functionality enables users to filter for barristers who are prepared to accept briefs Australia-wide. It also identifies whether the barrister is a nationally accredited mediator and if they have adopted the Law Council of Australia's Equitable Briefing Policy. It will also be possible to search for First Nations barristers and to conduct searches based on gender and seniority.

The ABA's Find-A-Barrister service will be available online from Thursday, 1 September via the [ABA website](#).

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About the ABA

The Australian Bar Association is the peak body representing nearly 6,000 barristers throughout Australia. Established in 1963, the ABA is committed to serving, promoting and representing its members, as well as advocating for fair and equal justice for all.

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