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Bar Association

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

Statement on the Use of Postnominals

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On the demise of Her Majesty Elizabeth II, the Queen of Australia, and the accession to the throne of His Majesty Charles III, the King of Australia, the appointments of persons as Queen's Counsel by letters patent continue automatically. By custom, those persons, upon the passing of Her Majesty, became 'King's Counsel' (or 'KC'). They did not need to seek new letters patent of appointment or take any further action.