

Media Release

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APESB welcomes forensic accounting expert Brian Morris to the Board

The Accounting Professional & Ethical Standards Board (APESB) is pleased to announce the appointment of Brian Morris FCPA as a director to the Board.

CPA Australia has nominated Mr Morris to the APESB subsequent to completion of an external recruitment process undertaken by the professional body. He is the principal of Morris Forensic, an Adelaide-based forensic accounting and valuation services firm.

Mr Morris has worked in most areas of public accounting. From 1983 to 2014 he was a partner at Edward Marshall, specialising in audit, forensic accounting, valuations and management consulting services. He was also the firm's managing partner and chairman of partners at various times.

Mr Morris has served on a variety of board and committee positions over the years. He was a member of the Companies Auditors and Liquidators Disciplinary Board (2000 – 2010), the International Accounting Standards Committee (2000), the Urgent Issues Group (1995 – 2001), and the Australian Auditing Standards Board (1991 – 1995). He is also a past Chairman of the National Technical Standards Committee of CPA Australia.

Mr Morris was appointed following the retirement of Ms Penny Egan FCPA, who finishes her term at the end of the year.

APESB Chair, The Honourable Nicola Roxon, said "On behalf of the Board, I thank Penny for her service and contributions to the development of APESB standards, and wish her well in her future endeavours."

Mr Morris's appointment is effective 1 January 2019.

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Notes to Editors: APESB is the National Standards Setter that issues the code of ethics and professional standards which cover the members of Australia's three major professional accounting bodies (CPA Australia, the Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand and the Institute of Public Accountants).