# Memorandum



To: Directors and Constituent Body CEOs

From: James Popple, Chief Executive Officer

Date: 28 April 2023

Second Call for Nominations—One Non-Executive Director Member to the Finance, Risk & Audit Committee

## **Action Request**

Nominations are called for one Non-Executive Director member to the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee, with expertise relevant to the Committee's Terms of Reference, **by COB, Friday, 19 May 2023.** 

## **Background**

- 1. The Law Council Board Committees' Charter relevantly provides that:
  - (a) members of the Board Committees are to be appointed by Directors on the recommendation of the President-elect,
  - (b) members of the Board Governance Committees are to hold office from the date of appointment until the end of the calendar year following, but may be reappointed, and
  - (c) in identifying the non-ex officio members, the President-elect may consult as widely as appropriate, but should consult with the Chair of the relevant Committee.
- There is currently a vacancy on the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee for one Non-Executive Director member with expertise relevant to the Committee's terms of reference.
- 3. Nominations should be forwarded to Ms Margery Nicoll, Acting Chief Executive Officer at <a href="margery.nicoll@lawcouncil.asn.au">margery.nicoll@lawcouncil.asn.au</a> and cc'd to Mr Dan Sybaczynskyj, General Manager Corporate Governance at <a href="margery.nicoll@lawcouncil.asn.au">daniel.sybaczynskyj@lawcouncil.asn.au</a>.
- 4. The Charter provides that:
  - (a) membership of the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee should comprise:
    - The Treasurer (Chair)
    - Another member of the Executive
    - Two other members with expertise relevant to the Committee's Terms of Reference, each of whom must be a non-Executive LCA Director of the Law Council of Australia
    - An External Member with specialist accounting and related financial experience.

#### **Terms of Reference**

- 5. The Finance, Risk and Audit Committee's key functions are:
  - to oversee the Company's relationship with the external auditor;
  - oversight of the Company's financial controls and systems; and
  - to monitor and advise the Board of Directors on the process of identification and management of business, financial and commercial compliance and risks for LCA Ltd and its subsidiaries.
- 6. The Finance, Risk and Audit Committee Terms of Reference are attached.
- 7. The following table sets out the membership of the Finance, Risk and Audit Committee for 2023:

Position	Current Member
Chair	Juliana Warner
Executive Committee member	Tania Wolff
Two non-Executive Committee Directors with relevant expertise	Rohan Foon
·	Vacant
External Member	Adam Awty

8. Upon receipt of nominations for the vacant non-Executive Director position, the President-elect will recommend a proposed new member of the Committee for appointment by the Directors at their next meeting, scheduled for 24 June 2023.

#### Contact

In the first instance, please contact Mr John Cattle, Director, Finance and Corporate Services on <a href="mailto:john.cattle@lawcouncil.asn.au">john.cattle@lawcouncil.asn.au</a> or 02 6246 3788 for any further information.

James Popple

**Chief Executive Officer**