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EVENT: WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A LAWYER: THE DOBELL CASE AND
SUBSEQUENT LITIGATION ABOUT THE ARCHIBALD PRIZE.
DATE: WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2022 | 5:00 – 7.00 PM AEDT (IN PERSON)
LOCATION: HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
31 PARKES PLACE, PARKES, CANBERRA, ACT 2600

The Archibald Prize for portraiture has been awarded annually for more than 100 years. The exhibition of finalists attracts public interest, controversy and occasionally court cases. In this presentation, Graeme Neate will consider litigation in the Supreme Court of New South Wales, starting with the famous Dobell case of 1944. He will discuss legal issues arising under the will which established the prize, how judges have decided whether the prize should be awarded to particular pictures, some of the personal implications of the litigation for parties and other participants, and some outstanding legal issues which, even if they don't provoke more court cases, might prompt lively discussion.

Chair: The Hon Mary Finn FAAL



Speaker: **Graeme Neate AM FAAL** – President of the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal since 2017. Before that he was a Commissioner with the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission, having been President of the National Native Title Tribunal from 1999 to 2013. In his (somewhat scarce) spare time he paints pictures – but not portraits.

Registration for the event is essential and will close on Friday, 28 October 2022.

Any Covid related restrictions in place at the High Court on 2 November will be advised to registrants prior to the event.

R.S.V.P: by 5 pm on Friday 28 October 2022

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