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SPECIAL MAGISTRATE AND CORONER SEEKS ELECTION TO ACT ASSEMBLY

Former Special Magistrate and Coroner Mr. Phillip Thompson will be joining forces with the current Mayor of Queanbeyan Mr. Frank Pangallo MBE as a candidate for the seat of Molonglo in the act elections on 18th October.

Phillip is married with 6 adult children, and has been a long term resident of Florey. He was educated at De La Salle College Victoria and graduated in law September 1987. He was admitted as a Barrister to the Supreme Court of NSW in November 1987 and also in the ACT that same year.

Phillip has served in many capacities within the ACT court system during his 40 year employment.

Phillip has been the administrative head of the ACT Magistrates Court, Coroners Court and the Children's Court, together with many other ACT tribunals, including the Small Claims, Mental Health and Residential Tenancy tribunals. He is currently a member of the Guardianship and Management of Property tribunal and chairman of Canberra AFL disciplinary tribunal.

Frank Pangallo said that "Phillip Thompson would bring much experience to the Pangallo Independents and the ACT Assembly particularly in legal and legislative matters, and believes that his involvement in the ACT legal system and his experiences as a judicial officer would place him in good stead to represent the people of Canberra as a member for Molonglo".

"During his term on the bench as a Magistrate and Coroner he had very few appeals against his decisions and he had the complete trust and respect at all levels of government and the legal profession" Frank Pangallo said.

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