

HIS HONOUR JUDGE J. H. MUIRHEAD

A matter of great interest to members will be the appointment of His Honour Judge Muirhead, Vice President of the Council, to the position of Acting-Director of the new Commonwealth Institute of Criminology. At the presentation of Commission by His Honour Judge Wilson mentioned in the following article, the Attorney-General, South Australia, said "We are losing, temporarily, the services of Your Honour Judge Muirhead, whom I am very pleased to see sitting on this Bench, I suppose for the last sitting of the Full Bench, for some considerable time, because Your Honour has been appointed to take up duties as the first Acting Director of the Commonwealth Institute of Criminology. I would not want the occasion to pass without acknowledging the debt of the Government, the debt of the community, the debt of the legal profession, to Your Honour for the very high quality of the judicial service which you have given since you have been a Judge of this Court and also to express the very great pleasure which we all feel, and I think particularly your many friends in the legal profession feel, that your qualities have been acknowledged by your appointment to this very important post. We hope that you will find that work very satisfying and rewarding. We know that it will be of great benefit to the whole of Australia and we hope that it will not mean that you will be forever lost to South Australia."

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HIS HONOUR JUDGE A. B. C. WILSON

Members of the Council will be pleased to know of the appointment of the Honorary Secretary of the Council to the Local and District Criminal Court at Adelaide as a Juvenile Court Judge.

His Honour Judge A. B. C. Wilson presented his Commission to the Court on Friday, 22nd December, 1972 together with His Honour Judge Reilly. On the Bench were Senior Judge Ligertwood, and Judges Williams, Mohr, White, Muirhead and Ward. The Chief Justice (Dr. Bray) was in the court, which was packed, and the families of both judges sat in the jury box.

The Attorney-General (Mr. King) said, of His Honour Judge Wilson. "Your Honour brings very high qualities to your task. You were admitted to the Bar in 1959, and in that time you have had a very distinguished career at the Bar and you have come to be recognised, by the legal profession, as one of the leading and brilliant juniors at the Bar. There is no doubt that had Your Honour chosen to remain at the Bar, you would have reached the highest distinctions that are to be won by those who pursue that calling.

Your Honour of course has not confined your activities or interest to the Bar or to the legal profession. You have participated in a wide variety of community activities but have shown a very special interest in the problems that arise as a result of crime and criminal activity, and particularly the challenge which is presented to us all to try to reclaim and rehabilitate those who would otherwise be lost as useful members of society if some such activity were not