

Gender Equality among Barristers before the High Court

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High Court judges and other members of the profession have long raised questions about why so few women appear before the High Court of Australia, and why even fewer have speaking roles. For example, it has been nearly twenty years since Justice Mary Gaudron, Australia's first female High Court justice, posed the following question: 'It has been said for many, many years that it is only a matter of time until women are properly represented in the various fields of legal endeavour. Well, how much time?' This paper examines this issue in light of a survey of recent appearances before the High Court and assesses the extent to which gender equality among barristers before the High Court has been achieved.

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