



# Richard Spencer

## Commissioner

Richard Spencer was appointed a part time Commissioner with the Productivity Commission on 27 October 2016.

Richard has over 25 years leadership experience in social service delivery, serving in various Chief Executive Officer (CEO) roles in the not-for-profit sector across community services, disability services and cross-cultural education.

He was the CEO of The Benevolent Society (2004-2011), CEO of Cerebral Palsy Alliance (1998-2000) and President and CEO of AFS Intercultural Programs in New York (1992-1998). Richard has also had extensive experience in business and in the legal profession, including with Rio Tinto and Clayton Utz.

Richard holds a Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of Sydney and a Masters degree in Professional Ethics from the University of New South Wales.

Richard is currently the Chair of Coordinare, the Primary Health Network for South East NSW. He has previously served on the Boards of the NSW Government's Commission of Audit, Social Ventures Australia, the Community Council for Australia, Women's Community Shelters and GoodStart Early Learning.

Richard is currently working on the inquiry into **Compensation and Rehabilitation for Veterans**. Previously he worked on the **National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) Costs** study and the **Human Services** inquiry.