



*Hon. Peter Foss, MLC,  
Minister for the  
Environment, Water  
Resources, the Arts and  
Consumer Affairs.*

# Meet the new Minister

CALM's new Minister is Hon. Peter Foss, MLC.

Mr Foss assumed the Environment and Water Resources portfolios in the Cabinet reshuffle announced last month. He retains his responsibilities for Fair Trading and the Arts.

Born in Weston-super-Mare, Somerset England, in March, 1946, Peter da Conceição Foss moved to Western Australia at an early age. He was educated at Christ Church Grammar and later read for bachelor degrees in Law and Arts.

In 1972, he became a partner in Perth's oldest and biggest law firm, Stone James and Co (now Mallesons Stephen Jaques).

His broad legal experience, principally in litigation, included working as Foreign Associate in London and New York and later as partner-in-charge for his law firm in London.

Mr Foss was involved in the expansion of the firm into one of the biggest in Australia and gained wide experience in the financial and other administration of Mallesons Stephen Jaques. He was the senior litigation partner in Perth.

He was elected to the Legislative Council as a Member for East Metropolitan province in the 1988 State election.

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He was Upper House spokesman on legal matters and industrial relations, and opposition spokesman on Tourism and the Arts.

His Parliamentary experience includes membership of several select committees, the Standing Committee on Legislation and a Committee of Privilege of

which he was chairman.

In 1993, with the election of the Court Government, Mr Foss was appointed Minister for Health, the Arts and Fair Trading.

Mr Foss and his wife, Jonica — who is a teacher and horticulturalist — have four children, Paul, Thomas, Sally and Sam.



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