1. Section 679 of the *Legal Profession Act 2007* (the Act) establishes the Queensland Law Society (QLS). Section 680 of the Act provides that the functions of the QLS are:

* to perform the functions conferred on the law society under the Act;
* to manage the affairs, income and property of the law society for the purposes and benefit of the law society; and
* to perform other functions given to the law society under another Act.

1. Section 685(1) of the Act provides that there is to be a Council of the QLS (the Council). The Council governs and provides the policy directions of the QLS.
2. Section 685(2) of the Act provides that the Council is to consist of no less than seven and not more than 12 members, namely:

* an Australian legal practitioner appointed by the Minister (the appointed member);
* the President, any deputy president and the vice-president of the QLS; and
* members of the QLS, elected or appointed under the society rules.

1. Cabinet noted the intention of the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Leader of the House to appoint Mr Peter Schmidt as the Minister’s appointed member to the Council of the Queensland Law Society for a term commencing on and from the date of Ministerial approval up to and including 12 February 2022.
2. *Attachments*

* Nil.