

# First President of Welsh Tribunals sworn in

The swearing in ceremony was performed by the Lord Chief Justice and took place today at Cardiff Crown Court.

The President of Welsh Tribunals will provide judicial leadership to support the independence and effectiveness of the Welsh Tribunals.

Sir Wyn Williams was born and raised in Ferndale in the Rhondda. He was called to the Bar in 1974 and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1992. He was appointed a High Court Judge in 2007.

Between January 2012 and December 2015 he was a presiding judge for Wales becoming the Senior Presiding Judge in January 2014.

Sir Wyn Williams said,

"I am very pleased to have been appointed the first President of Welsh Tribunals. These tribunals have an important role in the Welsh legal landscape and I look forward to playing a part in ensuring that they provide access to justice in a modern and efficient manner."

Counsel General, Jeremy Miles AM said,

"The President of Welsh Tribunals is a crucial role in providing judicial leadership for the administration of justice in our tribunals and in sustaining the independence and standing of the Welsh Tribunals' judiciary.

"Sir Wyn Williams is a hugely experienced High Court Judge, born and raised here in Wales, and with a track record of judicial leadership in Wales over many years. I warmly welcome his appointment and wish him well in this important role."