

# Reappointment of Professor Nicholas Hopkins as Law Commissioner for property, family and trust law

News story

The Secretary of State today (27 May 2020) announced the re-appointment of Professor Nicholas Hopkins as Law Commissioner for property, family and trust law.



Professor Nicholas Hopkins has been reappointed as Law Commissioner for property, family and trust law for a 5 year term from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2025.

Professor Hopkins is an academic of over 25 years standing, whose publishing portfolio includes co-authorship of 2 leading textbooks on land law for Oxford University Press. He is an honorary bencher of Middle Temple and an academic member of the Property Bar Association and the Property Litigation Association. He has led the Commission's work across a range of property and family law projects including its work on Making a Will, Surrogacy, Weddings, leasehold enfranchisement, commonhold, and the Land Registration Act.

The Law Commission was created by the Law Commissions Act 1965 with the role of keeping under review the law of England and Wales with a view to its systematic development and reform. The Law Commission promotes the reform of the law to make it clearer, more modern and more accessible. The Commission's projects bring real benefits to the public, businesses or other organisations affected by old, complex and out-of-date law.

Reappointments to the Law Commission are made by the Secretary of State for Justice and are regulated by the Commissioner for Public Appointments. This re-appointment has been made in line with the Governance Code on Public Appointments.

Professor Nicholas Hopkins has not declared any political activity.

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