

NOMINATION FOR CALC PRESIDENT



Andy Beattie (Scotland)

Nominated by Geoff Lawn (CALC President, Western Australia)

Seconded by Dame Elizabeth Gardiner (UK)

I am delighted to accept Geoff's nomination to succeed him as CALC President.

I joined CALC when I began my legislative drafting career in Scotland in 1999. Appointed Chief Parliamentary Counsel in 2012, I have overseen delivery of voluminous legislation during a period of constitutional change. My office delivers a Legislation course at Edinburgh University and led the creation of 'Lawmaker', a new digital tool for drafting and publishing legislation.

I am a firm believer that "Drafting Matters!" CALC is a wonderful forum for mutual support and there is much to be gained from making the most of the rich expertise, creativity and healthy camaraderie that epitomises the commonwealth drafting community.

I have countless precious friendships from participating in many CALC Conferences, and particularly enjoyed helping arrange the Edinburgh Conference. These connections have led me to projects to improve legislative capability in Pakistan, Zambia, the Philippines and elsewhere. They allowed my office to sponsor placements for drafters from Ghana, Malawi and Uganda and to engage in drafter exchanges throughout the world. Drafting training I provided in the Maldives helped secure its return to the Commonwealth and I am getting fantastic support from CALC colleagues for my ongoing work to help establish a drafting office in Ukraine.

If elected, you can be certain of my heartfelt commitment to champion the work of legislative drafters and to strengthen bonds between members. New technology offers great opportunities to keep extending CALC's reach with members but I dearly hope that we can also regain the joys and rewards from connecting personally that we have been deprived of recently.

I am immensely proud to be part of CALC, and it would be a great privilege to be able to work with the incoming Council to make CALC the best it can be for every member.

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