

## Angelene Falk



- Position: Australian Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner
- Organization: Office of the Australian Information Commissioner
- Economy: Australia

### Educational Background

Ms Falk was admitted as a legal practitioner to the Supreme Court of NSW in 1998 and holds an Honours Degree of Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts from Monash University, a Graduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Law from Melbourne University and a Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice.

### Professional Career

Ms Falk was appointed Australian Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner in August 2018. She leads the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC) in fulfilling its functions across privacy, freedom of information and government information management.

Ms Falk is a member of the National Data Advisory Council, and sits on the Executive Committee of the Global Privacy Assembly (GPA), formerly known as the International Conference of Data Protection and Privacy Commissioners (ICDPPC). She chairs the GPA's Strategic Direction Sub-Committee and is co-chair of its Digital Citizen and Consumer Working Group.

Ms Falk has held senior positions in the OAIC since 2012. She served as Deputy Commissioner from 2016 and acting Australian Information Commissioner and Privacy Commissioner from March 2018.

Over the past decade Ms Falk has worked extensively with Australian Government agencies, across the private sector and internationally, at the forefront of addressing regulatory challenges and opportunities presented by rapidly evolving technology and potential uses of data. Ms Falk's experience extends across industries and subject matter, including data breach prevention and management, data sharing, credit reporting, digital health and access to information.

### Publications

- The OAIC has published a range of guidance and advice on COVID-19 available at [www.oaic.gov.au/covid-19-advice-and-guidance](http://www.oaic.gov.au/covid-19-advice-and-guidance).
- The OAIC is required to report on the privacy protections that apply to Australia's COVIDSafe contact tracing system. The latest report for the period November 2020 to May 2021 is at [www.oaic.gov.au/covidsafe-report-nov-2020-may-2021](http://www.oaic.gov.au/covidsafe-report-nov-2020-may-2021)