



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House of Representatives

05 DEC 2017

Citizenship Register

To the Registrar of Members' Interests,

Statement in relation to citizenship – 45th Parliament

I declare that at the time I nominated for election in this 45th Parliament I was an Australian citizen.

Section 1—Member's details

Surname	Other Names
GEE	ANDREW ROBERT
Electorate	State
CALARE	NSW

Section 2—Member's birth and citizenship details

Place of birth	Citizenship held at birth
Wagga Wagga, NSW, Australia	Australian
Date of birth	Date of Australian naturalisation (if not an Australian citizen by birth)
13 / 09 / 1968 Day Month Year	/ / Day Month Year

Notes

- (1) The information which you are required to provide is contained in a resolution agreed to by the House of Representatives on 4 December 2017.
- (2) If there is insufficient space on this form for the information you are required to provide, you may attach additional pages for that purpose. An electronic version of this form is available at <http://members.parl.net/citizenship> (internal link).
- (3) Forward the original, signed copy of all pages of this statement to the Registrar of Members' Interests, RG.39 Parliament House, Canberra ACT 2600.

Section 3(a)—Member's parents' birth details

	Mother	Father
Place of birth:	Maitland, NSW, Australia	Griffith, NSW, Australia
Date of birth:	29 / 11 / 1941 Day Month Year	02 / 10 / 1940 Day Month Year

Section 3(b)—Member's grandparents' birth details

	Maternal grandmother	Maternal grandfather
Place of birth:	Kurri Kurri, NSW, Australia	Newcastle, NSW, Australia
Date of birth:	01 / 07 / 1914 Day Month Year	12 / 02 / 1913 Day Month Year

	Paternal grandmother	Paternal grandfather
Place of birth:	Clonmore, Tullamore, Ireland	Ardlethan, NSW, Australia
Date of birth:	12 / 12 / 1915 Day Month Year	05 / 10 / 1917 Day Month Year

Section 3(c)—Member's spouse details (if applicable)

	Spouse
Place of birth:	Edinburgh, Scotland
Date of birth:	11 / 10 / 1967 Day Month Year

Section 3(d)

Please list the steps you have taken to assure yourself you have not acquired citizenship of another country by descent, marriage or other means.

Even assuming that my grandmother was a British citizen, prior to 1983, a person could inherit British citizenship only from his or her father (see subsection 1(1)(b) of the British Nationality and Status of Aliens Act 1914, and section 5 of the British Nationality Act 1948). My father therefore cannot have inherited British citizenship from my grandmother, which means that any such citizenship cannot have passed to me, either.

Further, under the 1948 Act, the general rule was that no person born between 1949 and 1983 could become a British citizen by descent from a parent who was himself a citizen by descent only (see section 5). The limited exceptions to that rule are not relevant to me. Therefore, even assuming my father was somehow a British citizen by descent, I cannot myself have inherited that citizenship.

I have also consulted with the Embassy of Ireland in Australia – see attached letter.

Section 4(a)—Foreign citizenship

Have you ever been a citizen of any country other than Australia?

☒ **NO** — *Proceed to Section 6*

☐ **YES** — *List the countries that you have been a citizen of, and evidence of the date and manner in which your citizenship of any other country was renounced or otherwise came to an end in accordance with the laws of the relevant country.*

Country	Manner of renunciation or other manner in which the foreign citizenship came to an end	Date	Evidence attached

NB: Evidence of the date and manner in which your citizenship was renounced or otherwise came to an end **should** be attached to this form. Please date and initial each page of any attachment.

Section 4(b)—Foreign citizenship at time of nomination

On the date you nominated for election in this 45th Parliament were you a citizen of any country other than Australia?

☐**NO**☐

YES — *Provide details and evidence of any steps you have taken to renounce the citizenship of the other country prior to the date of nomination.*

Country	Action	Date	Evidence attached

NB: Evidence of the steps taken to renounce the citizenship of the other country prior to the date of nomination **should** be attached to this form. Please date and initial each page of any attachment.

Section 4(c)—Foreign citizenship now

Are you now a citizen of any country other than Australia?

☐**NO**☐

YES — *Provide details and evidence of any steps taken to renounce the citizenship of the other country.*

Country	Action	Date	Evidence attached

NB: Evidence of the steps taken to renounce the citizenship of the other country **should** be attached to this form. Please date and initial each page of any attachment.

Section 5—Member with foreign citizenship at nomination or now

Complete this section if you answered YES in section 4(b) or 4(c)

Basis on which you contend you are not disqualified under s 44(i) of the Constitution	Evidence attached
NB: Please date and initial each page of any attachment.	

Section 6—General declaration

I declare that I have completed this statement to the best of my knowledge and have attached all evidence relevant to my declarations.

Signed		Date:
		<div>04 / 12 / 2017</div> <div>Day Month Year</div>



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Dear Mr. Gee

Thank you for your letter of 22 November 2017 concerning Irish citizenship.

In order for an individual to become an Irish citizen by descent they are required under the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act 1956 - 2011 to apply for entry into the Foreign Births Register. You have confirmed that you have never sought to have your birth registered in the Foreign Births Register and that no such application has been made on your behalf.

Where such applications were not made for an individual born outside Ireland to parents who were also born outside Ireland, citizenship by descent could not have been granted to that individual.

I hope that this clarifies matters for you.

Yours sincerely

Eamonn Robinson

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Deputy Head of Mission

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