



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House of Representatives

04 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
O'Brien	Edward (Ted) Lynam

Electorate	State
Fairfax	Queensland

Section 2—Member's birth and citizenship details

Place of birth	Citizenship held at birth
Brisbane, QLD	Australian

Date of birth	Date of Australian naturalisation (if not an Australian citizen by birth)
07 / 05 / 1974 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:	Australia	Australia
Date of birth:	11 / 01 / 1937 Day Month Year	13 / 07 / 1930 Day Month Year

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

	Maternal grandmother	Maternal grandfather
Place of birth:	Australia	United Kingdom
Date of birth:	08 / 08 / 1913 Day Month Year	21 / 11 / 1902 Day Month Year

	Paternal grandmother	Paternal grandfather
Place of birth:	Australia	Australia
Date of birth:	06 / 04 / 1893 Day Month Year	14 / 08 / 1892 Day Month Year

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

	Spouse
Place of birth:	New Zealand
Date of birth:	01 / 03 / 1987 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.

With both parents born in Australia and three of four grandparents born in Australia, the only possibility of inherited citizenship would lie with my maternal grandfather who was born in the UK in 1902, emigrated to Australia in 1924 and died in Australia in 1981.

While never having reason to believe I inherited British citizenship from my maternal grandfather, I nevertheless took steps to assure myself in this regard.

Legal advice confirmed I derive no claim to British Citizenship and advice from the British Consulate based on their standard assessment tool confirmed the same. Furthermore, I wrote to the British Home Office in the UK whose reply also reiterated the same: "... I can confirm that you derive no claim to British citizenship based on your mother's father having been born in the UK" (Mr Ian Walker, Deputy Chief Case Worker, Nationality Team, UK Visas & Immigration).

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>