

# Senate Office Holders & Ministerial Representation in the Senate

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## Senate Office Holders

*President:* Senator the Hon. Stephen Parry

*Deputy President and Chair of Committees:* Senator Sue Lines

*Temporary Chairs of Committees:*

Senators Bernardi, Fawcett, Gallacher, Ketter, Kitching, Leyonhjelm, Marshall, McCarthy, O'Sullivan, Reynolds, Sterle, Whish-Wilson, Williams

*Leader of the Government in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. George Brandis QC

*Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Mathias Cormann

*Manager of Government Business in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Mitch Fifield

*Leader of the Opposition in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Penelope (Penny) Wong

*Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Senate:* Senator the Hon. Don Farrell

*Manager of Opposition Business in the Senate:* Senator Katy Gallagher

## Ministerial Representation

Ministers	Representing
Senator the Hon. George Brandis QC <i>Attorney-General</i> <i>Vice-President of the Executive Council</i> <i>(Leader of the Government in the Senate)</i>	Prime Minister Minister for Foreign Affairs Minister for Justice Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Counter-Terrorism Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cyber Security
Senator the Hon. Fiona Nash <i>Minister for Regional Development</i> <i>Minister for Local Government and Territories</i> <i>Minister for Regional Communications</i> <i>(Deputy Leader of The Nationals)</i>	Deputy Prime Minister Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources Minister for Infrastructure and Transport Minister for Urban Infrastructure Minister for Health Minister for Aged Care Minister for Indigenous Health
Senator the Hon. Mathias Cormann <i>Minister for Finance</i> <i>(Deputy Leader of the Government in the Senate)</i>	Treasurer Minister for Revenue and Financial Services Minister for Small Business
Senator the Hon. Nigel Scullion <i>Minister for Indigenous Affairs</i> <i>(Leader of The Nationals in the Senate)</i>	Minister for Resources and Northern Australia
Senator the Hon. Mitchell (Mitch) Fifield <i>Minister for Communications</i> <i>Minister for the Arts</i> <i>(Manager of Government Business in the Senate)</i>	Minister for Sport
Senator the Hon. Marise Payne <i>Minister for Defence</i>	Minister for Defence Industry Minister for Veterans' Affairs Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of ANZAC Minister for Defence Personnel
Senator the Hon. Michaelia Cash <i>Minister for Employment</i> <i>Minister for Women</i> <i>Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Public Service</i>	Minister for Immigration and Border Protection
Senator the Hon. Simon Birmingham <i>Minister for Education and Training</i>	Minister for the Environment and Energy
Senator the Hon. Arthur Sinodinos AO <i>Minister for Industry, Innovation and Science</i>	Minister for Trade, Tourism and Investment
Senator the Hon. Concetta Fierravanti-Wells <i>Minister for International Development and the Pacific</i>	
Senator the Hon. Scott Ryan <i>Special Minister of State</i> <i>Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cabinet</i>	Minister for Social Services Minister for Human Services
<b>Assistant Ministers – Designated as Parliamentary Secretaries under the Ministers of State Act 1952</b>	
Senator the Hon. James McGrath <i>Assistant Minister to the Prime Minister</i>	
Senator the Hon. Anne Ruston <i>Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources</i>	
Senator the Hon. Zed Seselja <i>Assistant Minister for Social Services and Multicultural Affairs</i>	

## Senate Party Leaders

*Leader of the Liberal Party:* Senator the Hon. George Brandis QC

*Leader of the Australian Labor Party:* Senator the Hon. Penelope (Penny) Wong

*Leader of The Nationals:* Senator the Hon. Nigel Scullion

*Leader of the Australian Greens:* Senator Di Natale

*Leader of the Derryn Hinch's Justice Party:* Senator Derryn Hinch

## Whips

*Chief Government:* Senator David Bushby

*Deputy Government:* Senators David Fawcett and Dean Smith

*Chief Opposition:* Senator Anne Urquhart

*Deputy Opposition:* Senators Sam Dastyari and Jenny McAllister

*The Nationals:* Senator John Williams

*Australian Greens:* Senator Rachel Siewert

*Derryn Hinch's Justice Party:* Senator Derryn Hinch

## Officers of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate	Mr Richard Pye
Deputy Clerk of the Senate	Ms Maureen Weeks
Clerk Assistant (Committees)	Mr Tim Bryant
Clerk Assistant (Procedure)	Ms Jackie Morris
Clerk Assistant (Table)	Ms Rachel Callinan
Usher of the Black Rod	Mr Brien Hallett

## Senators in the Chamber

If the Senators of your State or Territory are not present in the Chamber while the Senate is sitting, it is likely that they are listening to the debate in their offices or attending to their parliamentary work elsewhere in the building.

Duty rosters are drawn up for seats occupied by the President, Chairman of Committees, Ministers, Shadow Ministers and Whips, so that at all times when the Senate is sitting there are Senators 'on duty' in these positions to ensure that the business of the Senate proceeds.

## State and Party Representation in the Senate

State or Territory	AG	ALP	LDP	LP	NATS/CLP	NXT	JLN	DHJP	PHON	AC	IND	TOTAL
ACT	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
NSW	1	4	1	3	2	..	..	..	1	..	..	12
NT	..	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Qld*	..	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	11
SA	1	3	..	3	..	3	..	..	..	1	1	12
Tas	2	5	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	12
Vic	2	4	..	4	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	12
WA*	1	4	..	5	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	11
	7	26	1	25	4	3	1	1	4	1	1	74

\* 1 Vacancy