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Next Victorian Privacy Commissioner

The Victorian Government today began advertising for the next Privacy Commissioner (*Information Privacy Act 2000*, Part 7).

Last January I informed the Attorney-General that I would not seek re-appointment when my term ended on 28 July 2006. He offered, and I declined, an extended appointment.

When appointed in 2001 I thought five years would be enough, especially for the first holder of this independent statutory office. The experience has confirmed that view.

I look forward to facilitating the transition to the next Privacy Commissioner so that the complex and increasingly necessary work of balancing privacy and other interests in this technologically sophisticated era can continue smoothly.

It has been an honor to serve the Victorian public. I wish my successor well.

Paul Chadwick
Victorian Privacy Commissioner