

Nomination for Position on the Australian Lawyers for Human Rights National Committee August 2024

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Nominations from new members and from all states and territories are encouraged)</i></p>	
I,	Nicholas Stewart
	(full name)
of	redacted
	(address)
Phone/e-mail	redacted
	(contact details)
nominate for the position of:	President of ALHR LGBTI Co-Chair of ALHR
	(President, Treasurer, Secretary, Ordinary Member)
of the National Committee of Australian Lawyers for Human Rights Incorporated.	
Signed by nominator (may be nominee)	
	
Date 24 August 2024	
<p>Please set out below a short bio, a brief summary of your reasons for wishing to be elected to the National Committee and describe what you believe you are able to contribute by reference to the relevant position description:</p>	
<p>Nicholas is a senior partner at Dowson Turco Lawyers, a boutique and prominent LGBTIQA+ law firm in Macquarie Street, Sydney. He was formerly an intellectual property lawyer at an Australian top tier corporate firm, and Corporate Counsel at a large telecommunications company. Since leaving</p>	

commercial law, Nicholas has focussed his work on criminal law, human rights law, defamation and employment law..

Nicholas's human rights practice handles complex cases involving LGBTIQ+ discrimination, bullying and vilification, as well as hate crimes. In this regard, Nicholas led the campaign for two parliamentary inquiries, and the recently announced special commission of inquiry into NSW's dark history of gay and transgender murders.

Nicholas is Vice President of New Theatre Sydney, Chair of the Women's Advancement Subcommittee within the Diversity and Inclusion Committee of the Law Society of NSW, and an Adjunct Fellow at University of Technology, Sydney. He is also a former director of Rainbow Families NSW and previously a long-standing pro bono lawyer at the Inner City Legal Centre.

In 2009 Nicholas was awarded the Elizabeth Hastings Memorial Human Rights Award and the UTS:LAW Alumni Association Prize at the University of Technology, Sydney. In 2023 Nicholas was awarded the NSW Law Society's President's Medal. That year he was also jointly awarded the ACON NSW President's Award.

Nicholas is a longstanding co-chair of the ALHR LGBTIQ+ Rights Committee and has been Vice President since 2022. Nicholas has contributed to ALHR's international human rights advocacy across ALHR's various thematic groups, as well as ALHR's governance and strategic direction, as a member of the ALHR Executive Management Committee for more than 6 years.

If you have any queries about the roles and responsibilities of office bearers and committee members, contact the current ALHR executive on secretary@alhr.org.au.

Nominations must be delivered by email to: president@alhr.org.a

Please note: only current members of ALHR may nominate for a position

NB: If you wish to become more involved in ALHR, but do not wish to nominate for the National Committee, please consider joining one of our thematic subcommittees or becoming involved in your State Committee. Visit www.alhr.org.au to find out more.