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Privacy Commissioner John Edwards reappointed

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John Edwards has been reappointed by the Government to serve another term as Privacy Commissioner.

Mr Edwards was appointed in December 2013 and began in the role in February 2014.

His reappointment will take his term as Privacy Commissioner to 2023.

The Privacy Commissioner is an independent statutory position. He provides independent comment on significant personal information policies and issues.

Prior to his appointment, Mr Edwards practiced law in Wellington for over 20 years specialising in information law while representing a wide range of public and private sector clients.

He has acted in legal roles for the Ministry of Health, State Services Commission, Department of Prime Minister & Cabinet and Inland Revenue Department.

For 15 years, he held a warrant as a district inspector for mental health and has also been a district inspector for intellectual disability services.

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