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DPP welcomes new ADPP

The Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Mr Christopher Pryde, has announced the appointment of Ms Elizabeth Rice as an Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions.

Ms Rice is an international lawyer and has over 25 years of experience as a criminal lawyer.

Ms Rice comes with vast knowledge and experience and spent many years as a prosecutor with the Crown Prosecution Service in England before joining the ODPP Fiji as a Principal Legal Officer from 1994 to 1997.

On return to the United Kingdom, she continued to practice as a criminal lawyer working for the Crown Prosecution Service.

Prior to her appointment as ADPP, Ms Rice had been in the Falkland Islands working as a criminal defence lawyer in private practice representing defendants charged with historic child abuse resulting from investigations by a team of specialist police sent to the Falkland Islands from the UK. She also advised and represented members of the British Armed forces stationed on the Falkland Islands who had been accused of criminal offences.

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NB: *Picture attached below*



The newly appointed Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions Ms Elizabeth Rice at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions is an independent office established under section 117 of the 2013 Fijian Constitution. The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions is motivated by the principle that it is in the interests of justice that the guilty be brought to justice and the innocent are not wrongly convicted.
