

ICSA appoints Director of Policy and Strategy

13 June 2008: The Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators is pleased to announce the appointment of David Wilson as its Director of Policy and Strategy. David, who will take up his appointment in September 2008, has since early 2006 been Director and Chief Executive of the Wordsworth Trust, a leading charitable institution. The holder of bachelors and masters degrees in law, a Fellow of the Institute and a Solicitor, David had previously held positions as Group Company Secretary, General Counsel and Legal Director at some of Britain's largest and well-known companies (including B.A.T Industries, Debenhams and Safeway). During his career he has also been company secretary of the Personal Investment Authority and the Investment Management Regulatory Organisation.

David has been a strong supporter of the Institute's work over the last 12 years, having written one of its most successful Best Practice Guides, and contributed to numerous others as well as many of the Institute's submissions to government and other bodies. He was a member of the Law Society's Standing Committee on Company Law between 1995 and 2001 and has published several articles on corporate law, regulatory matters and governance.

David is a keen art and cultural historian, and is hoping very shortly to complete his PhD in art history.

Roger Dickinson, Chief Executive of ICSA comments; 'I am delighted that David Wilson is joining our Board and he brings a wealth of experience across the commercial, regulatory and not-for-profit sectors,. His management skills and his experience of formulating policy and strategy, as well as his international experience, will enable him to contribute greatly to the Institute's objectives of recruiting new members both in the UK and internationally and promoting the Institute's expertise in the field of corporate governance'

Editors Notes

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