



# Christians for an Ethical Society

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## 2019 Forum Series on Wither Democracy?

# Why a National Integrity Commission?



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Ebony Bennett is the Deputy Director of The Australia Institute and has worked in federal politics for more than a decade. Ms Bennett has published research on gender and street harassment and regularly appears as a commentator on Sky News and as a contributor for the Guardian and Fairfax publications.

In the words of an open letter signed by 34 retired senior judges, "Confidence and trust in government and public institutions is at an all-time low. When this confidence and trust is diminished, pessimism, divisiveness and conflict increase; and social cohesiveness is harmed. As a result, the economy and the welfare of all Australians suffers. Ultimately, as international experience has shown, democracy itself is threatened and may be irreparably damaged. Governments ignore at their peril demands by citizens to combat corruption with vigor."

**Chair: Emeritus Professor  
John Warhurst AO**

Ebony will explain the case for a National Integrity Commission (a federal ICAC) with authority and capacity to systematically investigate corruption at the federal level.

**Tuesday 4 June 2019, 7:30 pm**

**Chapel, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture  
Blackall Street (corner of Kings Ave), Barton ACT**

The forum will seek to encourage discussion from the floor - \$5 donation would be appreciated

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