

MEDIA RELEASE



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IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Executive Director of the Australian Retailers Association (ARA), Duncan Shaw, today announced his resignation from the ARA.

President of the ARA, Mr. Aart Van Roest said, "Duncan has been a great asset to the Association, he has worked tirelessly to see the integration of the various Divisions into one national body representing the Australian Retail industry".

"Duncan will be missed by both the employees and the members of the Association who have worked alongside him throughout his four year term", said Mr. Van Roest.

"It's time to move on to other challenges", said Mr. Shaw, "we have achieved our goal of a truly national retail association and with the new council to be elected shortly it is appropriate that Council seek and appoint an Executive Director that has the unanimous support of Council".

Duncan looks forward to continuing his involvement in the retail industry through his consultancy business.

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ABOUT THE AUSTRALIAN RETAILERS ASSOCIATION

Established in 1903, the Australian Retailers' Association (ARA) is the peak employer association representing the interests of the largest employing industry in Australia. We provide leadership and solutions to improve the long-term viability, productivity and visibility of the retail industry by proactively dealing with government, media and other regulatory bodies. We also

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manage issues that impact members by lobbying Federal, State, Territory and Local governments to ensure members' business concerns are given an effective voice.