

# John Coates AC LLB

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John Coates was elected Vice President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in September 2013, having been a Member of the IOC since 2001 and Member of the IOC Executive Board from 2009 to 2013. He is Chairman of the IOC 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games Coordination, Juridical, and Sport and Law Commissions; and a member of the TV Rights and New Media and 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games Coordination Commissions. He was a Member of the 2012 London Olympic Games Coordination Commission.

Mr Coates is President of the International Council of Arbitration for Sport and Court of Arbitration for Sport (since 2011).

Mr Coates is President of the Australian Olympic Committee Inc. (since 1990) and Chairman of the Australian Olympic Foundation Ltd (since 1995). He was Chef de Mission of the Australian Olympic Teams in Beijing, Athens, Sydney, Atlanta, Barcelona and Seoul and held other senior team positions in Los Angeles, Moscow and Montreal.

He was Vice President of the Sydney Olympic Bid, Senior Vice President of the Sydney Organising Committee for the 2000 Olympic Games (SOCOG) and Chairman of the SOCOG Sports Commission which was responsible for all sports programs.

He is a former Council Member for Oceania of the International Rowing Federation, a former President of the Australian Rowing Council and former Deputy Chairman of the Australian Institute of Sport and Sports Commission.

Mr Coates is a graduate in law (LLB) from Sydney University (1969-1972), Chairman of William Inglis & Son Ltd and a member of the Grant Samuel Advisory and Sydney Olympic Park Authority Boards. He served on the Board of David Jones Limited for 17 years, the last 8 as Deputy Chairman.

Mr Coates became a Member (AM) in the General Division of the Order of Australia in 1989 for service to rowing and was appointed an Officer (AO) in 1995 for service to the advancement of sport and the Olympic Movement. He was awarded the Olympic Order in Gold at the Closing Ceremony of the Sydney Olympics and the FISA Medal of Honour during those Games. He was awarded the Australian Sports Medal in 2001 and Centenary Medal in 2003. In 2006 he was appointed to the country's highest civilian honour as a Companion in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AC) "for service to the development of sport nationally and internationally through the Olympic movement promoting the well being of youth and values of tolerance, understanding, peace and mutual respect between peoples of the world".