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Before taking up his position with the MHRT, Professor Chappell was for 5 years (1996 – 2001) a Deputy President of the Australian Federal Administrative Appeals Tribunal (AAT). Prior to his full time membership of the AAT, Professor Chappell was the Director of the Australian Institute of Criminology (AIC).

Professor Chappell, who graduated with first class honours in law from the University of Tasmania in 1962 and received his PhD from the University of Cambridge in 1965, has occupied a range of academic and other professional positions in Australia, the United States and Canada. Since 1980 Professor Chappell has been a member of the School of Criminology at Simon Fraser University in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada and retains an adjunct professorial appointment at that institution.

Professor Chappell was a member of the Australian Law Reform Commission during 1978 and 1979, and was the Commissioner in Charge of a reference on Sentencing. He retains a keen interest in this topic as well as in the study of criminal violence. Following two mass shootings in Melbourne in 1987, the Prime Minister appointed Professor Chappell as the Chair of a National Committee on violence which reported its findings to all Australian governments in February 1990.

Professor Chappell has been a frequent consultant and adviser to governments and other public and private agencies in North America and Australia. From October 1992, for a period of eight months, Professor Chappell served as the Australian representative on a Commonwealth Observer Mission to South Africa (COMSA). During this time he acted as both co-chair and chair of COMSA. Professor Chappell also served as a member of the Commonwealth Observer Group to the South African elections in April 1994.

Professor Chappell has published widely on a range of crime and criminal justice issues. His most recent book, co-authored with Vittorio Di Martino, is *Violence at Work* [3rd edition] published by the International Labour Office, Geneva.

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