



*Centenary Celebrations*

*The United Grand Lodge*  
OF ANTIENT, FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS  
*of Victoria*

**INTERNATIONAL  
MASONIC  
CONFERENCE**

Proceeds from this Conference will assist the establishment of the  
Freemasons Public Charitable Foundation.

Friday, 17th March, 1989  
Masonic Centre of Victoria  
East Melbourne

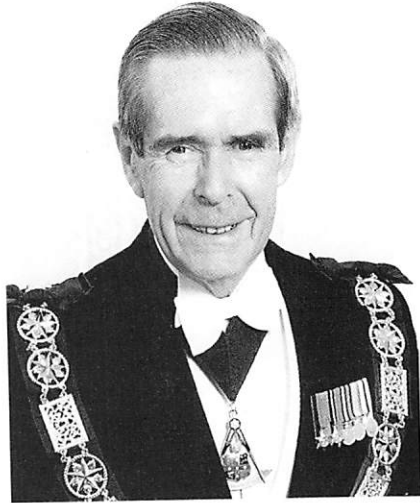
# CONFERENCE MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND MASTER,

## MWBro The Hon Mr Justice Williams

The celebration of our centenary provides a valuable opportunity to conduct a truly International Conference.

I am delighted that Sir Zelman Cowen and a panel of very eminent freemasons, have accepted our invitation to speak on a range of topics of interest to freemasons and friends. The Conference will provide a ready means of communicating international aspects of our Craft and will be of value to Victorian Freemasonry during the next 100 years.

I look forward with great anticipation to this very important event in our centenary.



MWBro The Hon Mr Justice Williams



The Rt Hon Sir Zelman Cowen

### Keynote Speaker

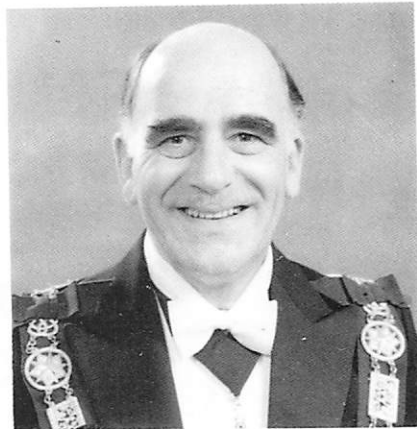
**The Rt Hon Sir Zelman Cowen, AK, GCMG, GCVO, PC., Provost of Oriol College, Oxford University.**

Sir Zelman was born in Melbourne and educated at Scotch College, Melbourne University and Oxford University. He was the Governor-General of Australia, 1977-82.

He was a Rhodes Scholar in 1940. He served as a Lieutenant in the Royal Australian Navy, 1941-45.

Sir Zelman has been an eminent member of the legal profession and has also served with distinction in several senior university appointments. An outstanding contributor to the community, he displays a keen interest in, and a concern for, his fellow man.

He is married to Anna and they have three sons and a daughter. Sir Zelman's recreations include music and the performing and visual arts.



MWBro Neville Colbran PGM

### Conference Chairman

**MWBro Neville Colbran PGM**

MWBro Colbran was Grand Master in 1980-82 and is currently a Trustee of the Royal Freemasons Homes of Victoria and Chairman of the Freemasons Public Charitable Foundation.

Bro Colbran is a solicitor and was senior partner of Cors Pavey Whiting and Byrne and now acts as a consultant. He was President of the Law Institute in 1969-70.

His other interests include golf, gardening and reading, with a special interest in early Australian history.

## International Masonic Conference • Programme

- 8.00 am-9.00 am Conference registration — Foyer of the Masonic Centre
- 8.30 am-9.10 am Grand Lodge Choir accompanied by the Grand Organist
- 9-10 am Entry of Official Party  
Advance Australia Fair  
Opening of the Conference by the Chairman, MWBro N L Colbran, PGM.  
Welcome to Conference delegates by the Grand Master,  
MWBro The Hon Mr Justice Williams.  
Introduction of the Keynote Speaker,  
The Rt Hon Sir Zelman Cowen, AK, GCMG, GCVO, PC.

### **KEYNOTE ADDRESS:**

#### ***The Community and Freemasonry***

10.30 am-11 am Morning Tea

### **SESSION ONE**

Session Chairman: MWBro H J Nathan, PGM,

#### **SPEAKERS**

MWBro S L Channon, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of California.

#### ***The Image of Freemasonry***

MWBro H L Williams, Grand Master of The Grand Lodge of Tasmania.

#### ***Masonry as an Organised Group to provide assistance to the Community.***

RWBro The Hon E L Baillieu, Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

#### ***Lodge Communication***

12.30 pm-1.45 pm Lunch

### **SESSION TWO**

Session Chairman: MWBro J W Connell, AM, PGM.

#### **SPEAKERS**

MWBro A L Copeland, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada in the Province of Ontario.

#### ***Freemasonry; Perception versus Reality.***

RWBro M W Walker, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ireland.

#### ***Encouragement of Suitable Men to become Members of the Craft.***

2.45 pm-3.15 pm Afternoon Tea.

### **SESSION THREE**

Session Chairman: RWBro Major Gen F E Poke, AO, RFD, ED, DGM.

#### **SPEAKERS**

Bro Brigadier Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor,  
Grand Master Mason of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

#### ***The Role of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge in the Management of the Craft.***

MWBro The Hon Mr Justice Asche, PGM.

#### ***The Modernity of Freemasonry***

4.15 pm MWBro N L Colbran, PGM, Conference Chairman, will summarise the highlights of the various presentations and thank the speakers for their contributions.

4.30 pm Conference concludes.