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### Screen Australia announces General Counsel

**Friday 20 February 2009:** Screen Australia today announced Elizabeth Grinston as its first General Counsel.

Elizabeth joins Screen Australia from Gilbert + Tobin, where she has been a Special Counsel in the firm's Intellectual Property and Litigation Group. Elizabeth's practice at Gilbert + Tobin extended to both transactional/advisory work and dispute resolution. While specialising in intellectual property matters, particularly copyright, Elizabeth's practice covered a wide range of other areas, including regulatory and administrative law and general commercial disputes and transactions.

In addition to her substantial experience with Gilbert + Tobin, Elizabeth has practised in the public sector as a decision-maker in various specialist State and Federal Tribunals. She was previously a partner with Freehills, where she practised in the areas of commercial/finance law and litigation.

Elizabeth has also held a number of non-executive Director positions on Boards in the energy and insurance sectors. She was selected by her peers for inclusion in the 2008 *Best Lawyers*® list for Australia in the specialty of Litigation.

Elizabeth holds a Bachelor of Law and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Sydney, where she graduated with First Class Honours and the University Medal in Law.

"We are thrilled that Elizabeth will be joining the Screen Australia team," said **Dr Ruth Harley**, Screen Australia Chief Executive Officer. "Elizabeth has exceptional experience over a wide range of areas. This experience will ensure that Screen Australia continues to develop and implement policies and programs in a manner that is responsive to all its stakeholders, including industry and government."

Elizabeth commences work on Monday 30 March 2009.