

## **Mr. Emanuel Comino OAM, JP – Community Service Profile**

MEMBER (AM) IN THE GENERAL DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA 50 **Mr Emanuel John COMINO OAM**, 52 Carlton Crescent, Kogarah Bay NSW 2217

Awarded for service to multiculturalism, particularly through continued support for the Greek community of Sydney.

Mr. Comino was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in the Australia Day 1985 Honours List for his service to the Greek community.

The following summarises his service and involvement since then:

Supreme National President, The Order of Australasian Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA), 1990-1992; Past Supreme President; Member, since 1968; established AHEPA in New Zealand, 1992.

Founder/President, International Organising Committee-Australia for the Restitution of the Parthenon Marbles Inc, since 1981; established the International Organising Committee (New Zealand) for the Restitution of the Parthenon Marbles, 2000.

Trustee, Modern Greek Program, University of NSW, since 1993; Foundation Member, Fundraising Committee.

Foundation Member, St George Migrant Resource Centre.

President, Greek Orthodox Parish and Community of the St George and Cronulla-Sutherland Districts, for 12 years; General Secretary, for 6 years.

Honorary Adviser, NSW Southern Region Multicultural Affairs Committee, since 2009.

Member, Finance Committee, Saint Andrew's Brotherhood: Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia, 1982-1984 and 1986-1990.

Foundation Member/Vice-Chairman, Greek Australian Museum Committee, since 1993. Foundation Member, The Hellenic Tribute Committee (*Discobolus*; an Hellenic tribute to Australia constructed in Homebush Olympic Village), 1998-2000.

Organiser, Red Cross Fund, Australian Red Cross, 1973-1998.

Board Member, NSW Southern Area Health Service, 1988-1995.

Member, Rockdale City Council Multicultural Advisory Committee, since 2009; Foundation Member, Committee to establish sister-city relationship between Rockdale City Council, NSW and Glyfada Council Greece (relationship established in 1999), since 1995.

Regular Speaker at Citizenship Ceremonies for the local councils/community, since 1968.

Foundation Member, Kogarah Chamber of Commerce, since 2008.

Awards/Recognition include:

Centenary Medal, 2001.

Citizen of the Year Award, Kogarah City Council, 2009.