

Hon Amy Adams

Minister of Courts
Minister of Justice
Minister of Social Housing
Minister Responsible for HNZC
Minister Responsible for Social Investment
Associate Minister of Finance



Amy studied law at Canterbury University, graduating with first class honours in 1992. Before entering politics, she was a partner with Mortlock McCormack Law in Christchurch, specialising in commercial and property law.

Following her re-election in 2011, Amy joined Cabinet as the Minister of Internal Affairs, Minister for Communications and Information Technology and Associate Minister for Canterbury Earthquake Recovery. In April 2012, Amy took over from Nick Smith as the Minister for the Environment and relinquished the Internal Affairs portfolio. Amy's achievements as Environment Minister included reform of the RMA and the development of the first ever national standards for New Zealand's freshwater resources.

Amy regained the seat of Selwyn in September 2014, receiving the largest majority in the country and has joined National's front bench as the new Minister of Justice, Minister for Courts, Minister of Broadcasting and Minister for Communications.

Amy lives in Aylesbury, with her husband Don and their two children, on their 250 hectare sheep and crop farm. She is a keen follower of, and occasional participant in, sport with particular interests in tennis and triathlons.