The Hon. Jason Clare MP

Minister for Home Affairs Minister for Justice Minister for Defence Material



Member for Blaxland

Jason was born and raised in Blaxland and attended Cabramatta Public School and Canley Vale High School. He was the dux of Canley Vale High School in 1989.

When Jason left school he joined the Labor Party and was the secretary of the Cabramatta Branch for 10 years (1992 to 2001). He has a BA (Hons) LLB from the University of NSW. Prior to entering parliament, he was a senior adviser to former NSW Premier Bob Carr and an executive at Transurban, one of Australia's Top 100 companies.

Jason was elected to the federal parliament at the November 2007 election, and holds the same seat as former Prime Minister, Paul Keating. The seat of Blaxland has been held by the ALP since 1949 when the electorate was first proclaimed.

In 2009, Jason was appointed Parliamentary Secretary for Employment and in September 2010 he was promoted to the position on Minister for Defence Materiel until December 2011. Jason now holds the positions of Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Justice.

In the March 2012 reshuffle, Jason resumed the role as Minister for Defence Material, in addition to his position of Minister for Home Affairs and Minister for Justice.

Jason is the Patron of CLAN (Care Leavers Australia Network), the Bankstown Sports Club, and the Bankstown RSL. He also sits on the Executive Committee of St Jude's Men's Refuge.

