

**Simone Wilkie, AO (Major General, Retired)**

Simone served for 35 years in the Army and held a diverse range of leadership positions across military operations, education, Human Resources, telecommunications and logistics. She has seen active service in Cambodia, Iraq and Afghanistan – and has been awarded a Commendation for Distinguished Service for her work in Afghanistan and the United States Bronze Star for her service in Iraq.

Simone is currently a Commissioner of the AFL, a Director of AFL SportsReady, Chair in Defence Technologies at Deakin University, and a Member of the Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal. She is passionate about developing young leaders and enhancing women's sport in Australia.