

# OBJECTION

The Federal Redistribution 2009  
NSW



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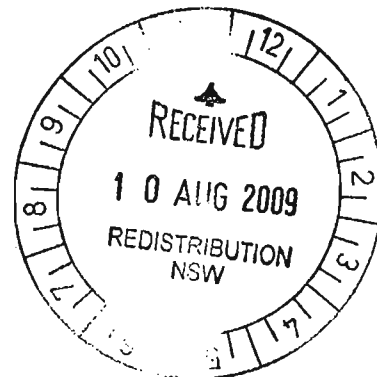
**Objection Number 1**

by

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**Sent:** Saturday, 8 August 2009 5:11 PM  
**To:** NSW Redistribution  
**Subject:** Request to retain the name of Reid



Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like the AEC to consider retaining the name Reid for an electorate in NSW. The removal of this name does discredit to George Reid, a former Prime Minister of Australia and Premier of NSW (one of only two people to have served as both PM and premier). Reid was a founding father of the Commonwealth. He was also an advocate of free trade when this policy did not share the favour it does today.

The AEC has proposed the name McMahon for a seat that covers parts of Lowe and Reid. The reason is to honor the former Prime Minister William McMahon. However this has been done at the expense of Reid. It means replacing one Prime Minister with another. Reid will then become the only deceased Prime Minister without an electorate in his honor.

The obvious solution is to rename one of the other seats adjoining the old seat of Reid. I would suggest Blaxland. Blaxland's main contribution in Australian history was the crossing of the Blue Mountains. But there is already a seat, Wentworth, that honours one of his fellow explorers. A large part of the old seat of Reid has been folded into Blaxland.

I request that this submission remain confidential.

Thanks for your consideration.

Paul Harvey  
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