

Work Health Act Practice Direction Re: Powers of Judicial Registrars

The following practice direction is issued pursuant to section 95 of the Work Health Act and will apply from 1st September 1999.

Pursuant to Section 102 of the Work Health Act I direct that Judicial Registrars of the Work Health Court shall be authorised to exercise all powers of the court save and except the following:

1. To hear and finally determine a matter.
2. To hear and determine an application for summary judgement.
3. An assessment of compensation under part 21 of the Rules.
4. Consideration of a memorandum of agreement under section 108 of the Act.

Hugh Bradley
Chief Magistrate
13/9/99

Amendment to Federal Court Rules

These amendments alter the rules for filing and lodging documents in the Federal Court. They will commence on 29 September 1999.

Under the new Order No 1 rule 5AB(1), each Registry must approve a fax number to be used for facsimile filing. The approved fax numbers are set out below:

Registry	Approved facsimile number
New South Wales	02 9230 8295
Queensland	07 3248 1240
South Australia	08 8205 4439
Tasmania	03 6232 1701
Victoria	03 8600 3351
Western Australia	08 9268 7208
ACT	02 6267 0625
Northern Territory	08 8981 9421



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The DCLS logo was officially launched by Mrs Lorna Robertson, DCLS's most senior volunteer at 82 years of age. Beside her is Micheline Lee, disability discrimination solicitor and long term supporter of DCLS.

High Court Rules - Amendments to Second Schedule

The Second Schedule to the High Court Rules specifies the amount which solicitors, who are entitled to practise in the High Court, may charge and be allowed on taxation of costs by the Taxing Officer of the Court in respect of proceedings in the Court.

The amounts in the Schedule were last varied by Statutory Rule No.61 of 1998 made on 2 April 1998 and came into operation on 4 May 1998.

The Federal Costs Advisory Committee, in its report to the Justices dated June 1999, recommended an increase of 4% to the solicitors' costs as set out in the Second Schedule.

The Court has agreed to the recommendation of the Committee and the increase, which is to come into operation on Friday, 1 October 1999, will apply in respect of all work done and services performed by solicitors after Thursday, 30 September 1999.

