



Judicial Conference of Australia

GOVERNING COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING: 2018/3

Held on **Friday 5th October 2018** at the Park Hyatt Hotel, Melbourne.

The meeting commenced at 1.00pm.

Present

Justice Robert Beech-Jones (in the Chair)	Supreme Court of New South Wales
Magistrate Jennifer Atkinson	Local Court of New South Wales
Justice Michael Baumann, AM	Family Court of Australia
Chief Justice Alan Blow, AO	Supreme Court of Tasmania
Justice John Burns	Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory
Judge Wayne Chivell	District Court of South Australia
Judge Graham Dart	Supreme Court of South Australia
President Justice Steven Dolphin	South Australian Employment Tribunal
Magistrate Karen Fryar, AM	Magistrates Court of the Australian Capital Territory
Justice Timothy Ginnane	Supreme Court of Victoria
Justice Judith Kelly	Supreme Court of the Northern Territory
Justice Rene Le Miere	Supreme Court of Western Australia
Judge Rachelle Lewitan, AM	County Court of Victoria
Chief Judge Dr John Lowndes	Local Court of the Northern Territory
Justice Glenn Martin, AM	Supreme Court of Queensland
Justice Neil McKerracher	Federal Court of Australia
Judge Garry Neilson	District Court of New South Wales
Deputy Chief Magistrate Leanne O'Shea	Magistrates Court of Queensland
Judge Tony Rafter	District Court of Queensland
Magistrate Marc Sargent	Magistrates' Court of Victoria
Justice Terry Sheahan, AO	Land and Environment Court of New South Wales
Justice Michael Walton	Supreme Court of New South Wales
Judge Joshua Wilson	Federal Circuit Court of Australia

In attendance

Christopher Roper, AM

Secretary

Apologies

Apologies were received from:

Deputy Chief Magistrate Michael
Daly
Magistrate Brett Dixon
Magistrate Andrée Horrigan

Magistrates Court of Tasmania
Magistrates Court of South Australia
Magistrates Court of Western
Australia
Family Court of Australia
Industrial Court of Queensland
International Association of Judges
District Court of Western Australia

Justice Peter Murphy
Deputy President Daniel O'Connor
The Hon Tony Pagone, QC
Judge Andrew Stavrianou

Resolved (2018/13)

That the apologies be noted and received.

1 Financial Report for the year ended 30th June 2018

A copy of the Financial Report had been circulated.

Resolved (2018/14)

That:

The Governing Council adopts the Report of the Governing Council (at pages 1 and 2) and the Declaration by the Governing Council members (at page 22), both forming part of the Financial Report for the year ended 30th June 2018, and authorises the President and Treasurer to sign them on behalf of the Governing Council.

Note:

The Report at pages 1 and 2 includes the following statement:

In the opinion of the Governing Council of the Judicial Conference of Australia Incorporated:

- a) During the year ended 30 June 2018 no:
 - i) officer of the Association;
 - ii) firm of which the officer is a member; or
 - iii) body corporate in which the officer has a substantial financial interest

has received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or body corporate and the Association; and

- b) During the year ended 30 June 2018 no officer of the Association received directly or indirectly from the Association any payment or other benefit of a pecuniary value.

The Declaration at page 22 is:

In the opinion of the Council members of The Judicial Conference of Australia Incorporated:

- (a) the financial report comprising the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and notes to and forming a part of the financial report presents a true and fair view of the financial position of the Judicial Conference of Australia Incorporated as at 30 June 2018 and the performance for the year ended on that date, in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations), of the Australian Accounting Standards Board;
- (b) at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Judicial Conference Australia Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due; and
- (c) proper accounting records and other records have been kept by the Judicial Conference of Australia Incorporated as required by the Associations Incorporations Act 1991 (ACT).

2 Membership of the JCA

There was some informal discussion of the renewal of membership by JCA members, and the take-up of membership by newly appointed judicial officers.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at about 1.30pm.

Signed as a true record:

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President