

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, LEGAL ADVICE, EXPENDITURE

1958. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Community Development, Women's Interests, Seniors and Youth; Disability Services; Culture and the Arts

For each department and agency within the Minister's portfolio, since 19 February 2001, will the Minister provide -

- (a) the total amount spent on legal advice;
- (b) the name of each provider of legal advice;
- (c) the amount paid to each provider of legal advice; and
- (d) the service for which the payments were made?

Ms S.M. McHALE replied:

Disability Services Commission

- (a) \$74,176.62.
- (b)
  - (i) Andrew McGuiness Barrister & Solicitor.
  - (ii) Corrs Chambers Westgarth Lawyers.
  - (iii) Corsers.
  - (iv) Deacons.
  - (v) Crown Solicitor's Office.
  - (vi) Insurance Commission of WA.
  - (vii) Kott Gunning.
  - (viii) Minter Ellison Lawyers.
  - (ix) Paterson & Dowding.
  - (x) Ross & Galloway.
  - (xi) Skea Hager & Co.
  - (xii) Thomson Legal & Re.
- (c)
  - (i) \$275.00.
  - (ii) \$11,471.60.
  - (iii) \$10,500.00.
  - (iv) \$2,244.55.
  - (v) \$14,171.50.
  - (vi) \$7,692.96.
  - (vii) \$545.45.
  - (viii) \$8,910.21.
  - (ix) \$112.50.
  - (x) \$1,724.50.
  - (xi) \$15,890.35.
  - (xii) \$633.00.
- (d)
  - (i) Property and leasing.
  - (ii) Industrial and employment advice.
  - (iii) General legal advice.
  - (iv) Property and leasing.
  - (v) Property and leasing (\$6,302.00), general legal advice (\$5,006.50) & service contracting advice (\$2,863.00).
  - (vi) Insurance claims advice.
  - (vii) Property and leasing.
  - (viii) Property and leasing.
  - (ix) General legal advice.
  - (x) Property and leasing.
  - (xi) Property and leasing.
  - (xii) General legal advice.

Department for Community Development

- (a) the total amount spent on legal advice: \$46,275.82  
This figure is made up of all amounts paid to the Crown Solicitor's Office during the period since 19 February 2001 and some minor amounts made to private lawyers for advice received. Some of the services provided by the Crown Solicitor's Office have been for representation as well as advice, but it is very difficult to separate the two. The figure does not include representation provided by private lawyers.

- (b) the name of each provider of legal advice:  
The Crown Solicitor's Office has provided nearly all of the legal advice sought within this period.  
Some advice has also been provided by Dr Anthony Dickey QC and Ms Moira Rayner.
- (c) the amount paid to each provider of legal advice:  
Crown Solicitor's Office: \$41,475.82  
Dr Anthony Dickey QC: \$500.00  
Moira Rayner: \$4,300.00
- (d) the service for which the payments were made:  
The Crown Solicitor's office has provided advice on a wide range of legal matters relevant to the Minister's Portfolio.  
Dr Dickey provided advice in relation to a Family Court matter.  
Moira Rayner's advice related to the draft new child welfare legislation.

Department of Culture and the Arts (including ArtsWA and State Records Office)

- (a) \$47,909.53
- (b) Freehills  
AEM Group  
Crown Solicitors Office  
The Perth Diocesan Trustees  
Dwyer Durack  
Metway
- (c) Freehills \$3,961.80  
AEM Group \$1,514.20  
Crown Solicitor's Office \$40,701.39  
The Perth Diocesan Trustees \$350.00  
Dwyer Durack \$583.39  
Metway \$798.75
- (d) Payments to providers were for legal services including lease preparation and legal advice.

Perth Theatre Trust

- (a) \$31,933
- (b) Crown Solicitor's Office  
Minter Ellison  
Phillips Fox
- (c) Crown Solicitor's Office \$7,581  
Minter Ellison \$2,740  
Phillips Fox \$21,612
- (d) Crown Solicitor's Office lease preparation; debtors recovery; legal advice  
Management Agreement  
Minter Ellison lease preparation; legal advice hire agreement  
Phillips Fox termination of catering contract, liquor licensing issues and  
transfer of liquor licence for PTT venues

WA Museum

- (a) \$44,804.93
- (b) Crown Solicitors Office  
Deacons  
Verge Whitford  
Greg McIntyre
- (c) Crown Solicitors Office \$41,840.48  
Deacons \$904.45  
Verge Whitford \$1,260.00  
Greg McIntyre \$800.00
- (d) Drawing up lease contracts and other contracts; sundry legal advice

ScreenWest

- (a) \$140 105.56  
Of the total legal fees given above, \$56,629.87 has been reimbursed to ScreenWest under the Funding and Development Agreements.
- (b) Wendy Mitchell  
Roth Warren Solicitors  
Seraph Productions  
Owen Legal & Corporate  
ICA Productions  
Margaret McGuinn  
Tottle Christensen  
Joan B Peters  
Verge Whitford & Co Solicitors  
Ian Booth  
Price Waterhouse Coopers
- (c) 

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| Wendy Mitchell                 | \$12 587.50 |
| Roth Warren Solicitors         | \$28 169.27 |
| Seraph Productions             | \$32 748.50 |
| Owen Legal & Corporate         | \$19 647.27 |
| ICA Productions                | \$5 000.00  |
| Margaret McGuinn               | \$5 805.00  |
| Tottle Christensen             | \$12 752.67 |
| Joan B Peters                  | \$13 624.00 |
| Verge Whitford & Co Solicitors | \$3 710.44  |
| Ian Booth                      | \$5 060.91  |
| Price Waterhouse Coopers       | \$1 000.00  |
- (d) Services were for the production of eighty one (81) separate funding agreement.

Art Gallery of Western Australia

- (a) \$828.50
- (b) Crown Law provided advice on each occasion
- (c) The total amount was paid to Crown Law
- (d) The service was for legal advice on commercial activities of the Gallery.

State Library of Western Australia

- (a) \$13 240.50
- (b) Crown Solicitor's Office
- (c) \$13 240.50
- (d) Drafting of lease documentation