

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, LEGAL ADVICE, EXPENDITURE

1963. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister representing the Minister for Housing and Works; Land Information
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 A.J. MacTIERNAN replied:

HOUSING AND WORKS

- (a) The total amount spent on legal services, including advice \$1 296 787.36
- (b) The Crown Solicitors Office
Dwyer Durack
Phillips Fox
Solomon Brothers
Mossensons
Deacons
Minter Ellison
Geoffrey Walker
Downings Legal
Marks & Sands
Skea Hager
Freehills
- (c) The amount paid to each provider:

The Crown Solicitors Office	\$324 844.49
Dwyer Durack	\$109 740.50
Phillips Fox	\$358 778.16
Solomon Brothers	\$147 328.53
Mossensons	\$ 1 428.38
Deacons	\$ 20 854.99
Minter Ellison	\$ 17 799.58
Geoffrey Walker	\$ 77 478.50
Downings Legal	\$ 99 098.55
Marks & Sands	\$ 37 325.30
Skea Hager	\$ 57 469.95
Freehills	\$ 44 640.43
- (d) The Department of Housing and Works undertakes a number of commercial functions and uses solicitors for legal advice, as well as for the provision of services on a range of matters relating to statutory interpretation, administrative law, commercial, leasing, employment relations, joint ventures, contract law, finance, trade practices and consumer law and general legal issues

So the Hon Member can consider the above in context the relevant information for the period 16/12/96 to the 16/2/01 is:-

- (a) The total amount spent on legal advice \$ 2 015 109.40
- (b) The Crown Solicitors Office
Dwyer Durack
Phillips Fox
Solomon Brothers
Mossensons
Deacons
Minter Ellison
Geoffrey Walker
Downing Legal
Marks & Sands

Parker & Parker
Skea Hager
Clayton Utz
Hammond Worthington
Jackson MacDonald

(c) The amount paid to each provider:

The Crown Solicitors Office	\$ 78 029.78
Dwyer Durack	\$ 32 263.90
Phillips Fox	\$ 225 873.28
Solomon Brothers	\$ 173 150.54
Mossensons	\$ 22 677.14
Deacons	\$ 6 400.39
Minter Ellison	\$ 96 650.93
Geoffrey Walker	\$ 237 898.35
Downing Legal	\$ 146 656.23
Marks & Sands	\$ 24 339.54
Parker & Parker	\$ 4 704.60
Skea Hager	\$ 108 074.00
Clayton Utz	\$ 54 083.65
Hammond Worthington	\$ 74 629.49
Jackson MacDonald	\$ 729 677.58

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LAND INFORMATION

- (a) \$21,449
- (b) (1) Blake Dawson Waldron
(2) Crown Solicitors Office
(3) Jackson McDonald
- (c) (1) \$18,746
(2) \$203
(3) \$2,500
- (d) (1) Disciplinary processes advice
(2) Telephone advice on titles
(3) Advice on definition of "gross rental value"

So the Hon Member can consider the above in context, the relevant information for the period from 16.12.1996 to 15.2.2001:

- (a) 14,591.40
- (b) (i) Kott Gunning
(ii) Crown Solicitors Office
(iii) Jackson McDonald
(iv) P Nisbet
(v) Ms Su Lloyd
(vi) Griffiths Rice
(vii) Edwards Thompson
(viii) Freehills
- (c) (i) \$600.50
(ii) \$231
(iii) \$546
(iv) \$5,250
(v) \$1,152.40
(vi) \$600
(vii) \$2,311.50

- (viii) \$3,900
- (d)
 - (i) Advice in relation to lease of 246 Williams Street Northbridge.
 - (ii) Advice on policy documents from Commissioner for Public Sector Standards.
 - (iii) Harassment and discrimination advice.
 - (iv) Advice for the Hon Minister for Lands regarding the Constitutions Acts Amendments Act 1899.
 - (v) Industrial Law advice.
 - (vi) Advice on the sale of Caravan Park at Onslow.
 - (vii) Advice on Land Administration Act forms and conversion of strata to green title.
 - (viii) Advice regarding HMAS Swan Lease, and contaminated sites.

State Supply Commission (State Fleet):

- (a) \$1,082,057
- (b)-(c)

Skea Nelson & Hager	\$893,708
Blake Dawson Waldron	\$34,704
N Beaumont	\$8,561
M Pembroke	\$21,368
Ivan V Gzell	\$13,530
Mallesons Stephen Jaques	\$85,194
Don Watt	\$21,780
David Taylor	\$1,562
Gadens Lawyers	\$1,650
- (d) Renegotiation and termination of the MATRIX fleet funding facility

State Supply Commission

- (a) \$6,820
- (b) Gadens Lawyers
- (c) \$6820
- (d) Advice on Procurement Policy