

**Legal Services Expenditure Report 2019-20**

**Australian Fisheries Management Authority  
81 098 497 517**

**Template Guidance**

**This template has been approved by the Office of Legal Services Coordination (OLSC).**

**The template must be completed by all non-corporate and corporate Commonwealth entities and returned to OLSC within 60 days after the end of the financial year (see s.11.1(da) and s.12.3(f) of the *Legal Services Directions 2017*). Further guidance in relation to expenditure reporting is set out in Guidance Note 3 (Compliance with the Directions) and Guidance Note 8 (Reporting of Legal Services Expenditure) and can be found at <www.ag.gov.au>.**

**Agencies that are exempt from reporting to AGD but participate in the WoAG Legal Services Panel must complete a Certificate of Compliance and Expenditure for Non-reporting Agency and provide it to AGD within 90 days after the end of the financial year.**

**Please return this form by uploading the Excel document to the Legal Services Panel Portal (Portal users only) or emailing a copy to LSER@ag.gov.au.**

**Expenditure is reported on an accrual basis, using your agencies financial records. No information will be drawn from the Legal Services Panel quarterly expenditure reports submitted by Legal Services Providers, due to the transitional period this financial year. All figures are to be GST exclusive and rounded to the nearest dollar.**

**In addition to completing this report, all non-corporate Commonwealth entities are required to publish their legal services expenditure for the previous year by 30 October. No format is specified for the publication, but most agencies publish the data in their annual report, or on their website.**

**Summary totals**

<b>Total (External + Internal) Expenditure</b>	\$	612,959
<b>Total Internal Legal Services Expenditure</b>	\$	516,487
<b>Total External Legal Services Expenditure</b>	\$	96,472

**Senior Counsel**

*Equitable briefing policy: 'senior' means a barrister of 10+ years experience at the Bar or a Queen's/Senior Counsel. For 2019-20 reports, include 2010 barristers.*

<b>Number of briefs - direct and indirect briefs</b>		
Total number of direct briefs to male senior counsel		
Total number of direct briefs to female senior counsel		
Total number of direct briefs to gender X senior counsel		
Total number of indirect briefs to male senior counsel		3
Total number of indirect briefs to female senior counsel		
Total number of indirect briefs to gender X senior counsel		
<b>Value of briefs - direct and indirect briefs</b>		
Total value of direct briefs to male senior counsel	\$	10,320.10
Total value of direct briefs to female senior counsel	\$	-
Total value of direct briefs to gender X senior counsel	\$	-
Total value of indirect briefs to male senior counsel	\$	10,320
Total value of indirect briefs to female senior counsel	\$	-
Total value of indirect briefs to gender X senior counsel	\$	-

**Junior Counsel**

<b>Number of briefs - direct and indirect briefs</b>		
Total number of direct briefs to male junior counsel		
Total number of direct briefs to female junior counsel		
Total number of direct briefs to gender X junior counsel		
Total number of indirect briefs to male junior counsel		
Total number of indirect briefs to female junior counsel		
Total number of indirect briefs to gender X junior counsel		
<b>Value of briefs - direct and indirect briefs</b>		
Total value of direct briefs to male junior counsel	\$	-
Total value of direct briefs to female junior counsel	\$	-
Total value of direct briefs to gender X junior counsel	\$	-
Total value of indirect briefs to male junior counsel	\$	-
Total value of indirect briefs to female junior counsel	\$	-
Total value of indirect briefs to gender X junior counsel	\$	-
<b>Total value of briefs to all counsel</b>	\$	10,320

**Disbursements**

Total Disbursements	\$	2,994
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**Professional Fees**

*Please complete worksheet named 'A - Professional Fees'. The below field will automatically populate based on the information in that sheet.*

<b>Total value of professional fees</b>	\$	<b>83,158</b>
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**Whole of Australian Government Legal Services Panel**

*The Whole of Australian Government (WoAG) Legal Services Panel is mandatory for all non-corporate Commonwealth entities when purchasing domestic external legal services, and opt-in for corporate Commonwealth entities.*

*Participating agencies must report their 10% off-Panel Allowance expenditure and Exemptions expenditure annually to AGD within 60 days after the end of each financial year. The Panel Guidance Material can be found at <<https://legalservicespanel.agdnet.ag.gov.au/>>.*

*The figures reported below in relation to the use of the WoAG Legal Services Panel flexibility mechanisms should already be captured in the total value of professional fees reported in professional fees. In order to prevent double counting, the expenditure through the flexibility mechanisms will not be added to the total legal expenditure.*

<b>Use of the Panel</b>	
Does your Agency participate in the WoAG Legal Services Panel?	
What was your WoAG Legal Services Panel Fee (2019-20)	\$ -

<b>Use of WoAG Legal Services Panel flexibility mechanisms</b>	
Professional Fees for work done by non-Panel firms as part of 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
Professional Fees for work done by non-Panel firms with an Exemption from AGD	\$ -

**Summary totals**

T1 Total Legal Services Expenditure (External + Internal)	\$	612,959
T2 Total Internal Legal Services Expenditure	\$	516,487
T3 Total External Legal Services Expenditure	\$	96,472
T4 Total value of briefs to Counsel	\$	10,320
T5 Total value of briefs to Male Counsel	\$	10,320
T6 Total value of briefs to Female Counsel	\$	-
T7 Total value of briefs to gender X Counsel	\$	-
T8 Total value of disbursements (excluding counsel)	\$	2,994
T9 Total value of professional fees	\$	83,158
T10 Total value of professional fees - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$	-
T11 Total value of professional fees - Exemption from AGD	\$	-
Total number of briefs to counsel		3

**Commentary**

*[Please outline in this cell any comment or analysis you wish to give about the data you have provided on counsel briefs or expenditure (optional to complete)]*