

Authorised Civil Celebrant

Committee Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
PO Box 6100
Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600
Australia

Dear Sir/Madam

I would like it noted that I totally oppose the changes as outlined in the Cost Recovery documents. Especially the proposed annual fee to existing celebrants as many celebrants will and have already stated is another cost which we cannot afford to add to our part time celebrancy businesses. Also I oppose this fee being applied only for Commonwealth Registered Celebrants and not ALL celebrants including State and Territory and ministers of Religious organisations. I agree with CoCA's submission that it is discrimination at the highest level.

I like many others do not make a lot of money from being a civil celebrant and it would never be a full time business. I, like many other Celebrants enjoy meeting and creating ceremonies with young and older couples and conducting their wedding ceremonies.

I also oppose the idea of the removal of the life time appointment which has also been muted.

Yours faithfully