

Senator the Hon Michaelia Cash

Minister for Employment
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The Hon Scott Morrison MP Treasurer Parliament House CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Treasurer

Fair Work Commission Presidential Members - Division 293 Tax

On 23 November 2015, the Hon Vice President Graeme Watson and the Hon Senior Deputy President Ian Watson of the Fair Work Commission (FWC) wrote to me on behalf of former presidential members of the Australian Industrial Relations Commission (AIRC) who belong to the Judges' Pensions Scheme (JPS). These members' interests under the JPS are affected by the taxation of superannuation contributions under Division 293 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* (ITAA). The correspondence from Vice President Watson and Senior Deputy President Watson is attached to this letter.

Following discussion between officers of our departments, I am advised that this correspondence raises matters that fall within your portfolio responsibilities. Accordingly, I have written to Vice President Watson and Senior Deputy President Watson advising them that I have referred their letter to you for consideration.

I would appreciate it if you could provide me with a copy of your response in due course.

Yours sincerely

Senator the Hon Michaelia Cash

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