

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Agency - Fair Work Australia

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Senator Abetz on 17 October 2012, Hansard page 8.

Question

Senator ABETZ: The senior lawyer who signed off on it with a surname like mine I should be able to pronounce it, but I cannot was Mr Gostencnik? Was he involved in providing preliminary advice?

Ms O'Neill: Yes, he was.

Senator ABETZ: At what stage?

Ms O'Neill: They provided me some advice

Senator ABETZ: No, not 'they'; this is a specific person.

Ms O'Neill: I would need to go back and check my records.

Answer

Fair Work Australia has provided the following response.

The General Manager, Tim Lee first sought advice from Corrs Chambers Westgarth on 31 March 2011. The advice was provided by Mr Val Gostencnik from Corrs Chambers Westgarth.