

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2011

Answers to Questions on Notice

Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services

Topic: **Legal Costs**

Question: **43**

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Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 8 July 2011

- (a) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD within the department and agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- (b) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- (c) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
- (d) What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services FYTD from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

Answer

- (a) \$153,431.00. See table below.
- (b) \$ 15,932.74. See table below.
- (c) \$137,498.26. See table below.
- (d) Nil.

legal services provider	service— advice related to:	cost (ex GST)	Total AGS (ex-GST)	Total other (ex-GST)
Australian Government Solicitor	administrative matters	15,932.74	15,932.74	
Blake Dawson	workplace matters	80,514.76		
DLA Piper	copyright issues	8,294.80		
Mallesons Stephen Jaques	contracts	35,783.50		
Minter Ellison	user agreement	2,905.20		
Sparke Helmore	Request For Tender	10,000.00		137,498.26