

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Public Service Commission

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Termination of employment of Ms Wolfe

Senator: Ronaldson

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Question: But you are saying that when the issues came to light, that is when you decided to withdraw. Are those issues the procedural fairness issues? ... Had they not been pleaded from day one by the applicant?

Answer:

The Commonwealth respondents conceded that there had been a breach of procedural fairness as pleaded by the applicant in paragraph 66C of the further amended statement of claim which was filed with the Court by the applicant on 14 December 2009.

The breach of procedural fairness as pleaded in paragraph 66C was not pleaded by the applicant in the original statement of claim which was filed with the Court on 28 May 2009. Nor was it pleaded by the applicant in her amended statement of claim which was filed with the Court by the applicant on 10 August 2009.