SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

Question No. 13

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 23 February 2009:

Provide the date Mr Glenn Smith, the then Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Federal Magistrates Court wrote to Mr Richard Foster, the current Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Federal Magistrates Court, concerning the management of the Federal Magistrates Court's case load systems.

The answer to the Honourable Senator's question is as follows:

On 9 October 2008, Mr Glenn Smith, the Acting CEO of the Federal Magistrates Court, wrote to the Family Court requesting the Family Court to take on the information management function, including caseload statistics, for the Federal Magistrates Court. Casetrack, the primary case management system for the Family Court, Federal Magistrates Court, Federal Court and Family Court of Western Australia, was developed and is maintained by the Family Court.