

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

**Question No. 19**

**Senator Abetz asked the following question at the hearing on 8 February 2010:**

Regarding the recruitment of the Hobart district registrar:

- a. Was the position advertised in national newspapers, such as the *Sydney Morning Herald* or *The Australian*?
- b. How many of the seven applicants were interviewed?

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

*a. Was the position advertised in national newspapers, such as the Sydney Morning Herald or The Australian?*

The District Registrar position for the Tasmania Registry was not advertised nationally in *The Australian* or the *Sydney Morning Herald*.

*b. How many of the seven applicants were interviewed?*

Three of the original seven applicants were interviewed for the District Registrar position. An additional two applications were received for the position and both the applicants were interviewed. In total 5 out of 9 applicants were interviewed for the position.