

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
FEDERAL MAGISTRATES COURT

Question No. 35

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

Since Supplementary Budget Estimates:

- a) What is the current number of judges of the Court?
- b) What is the current amount of vacancies?
- c) What appointments have been made?

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

- a) As at 8 February 2010, there were 59 Federal Magistrates including the Chief Federal Magistrate.
- b) Three Federal Magistrate positions have been advertised.
- c) The last appointment made to the Federal Magistrates Court was FM Willis on 27 January 2009.