

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS ATTORNEY-  
GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

**Portfolio**

**Question No. 115**

**Senator Humphries asked the following question at the hearing on 12 February 2013:**

Contractors

For this financial year to date:

- a) Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- b) Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- c) Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- d) Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- e) Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- f) Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- g) Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- h) Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- i) Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
- j) What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

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

**Attorney-General's Department**

a)- i) No.

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

**Administrative Appeals Tribunal**

a)-i) No.

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

**Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity**

a) - i) The answer to these questions is no.

j)

Contractor	Purpose	Amount expended in 2012–13 (ex-GST) to 31 January 2013
ORIMA	Balloting for Enterprise Agreement	\$2,364
Solved at McConchie Pty Ltd	Create records management authority	\$5,000*
SPACElift Design Consultancy	Design and project management of building works	\$18,575*

\* Contracts marked with an asterisk commenced in 2011–12 and extended into 2012–13.

### **Australian Crime Commission**

a-i) No.

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more.

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### **Australian Customs and Border Protection Service**

a)-i) No.

j) Customs and Border Protection engage a large number of contractors (including ICT contractors), which are recorded on AusTender, [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au). To provide a detailed breakdown of this information which is already publicly available via the AusTender website would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.

### **Australian Federal Police**

a)-i) No.

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all j) contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more.

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### **Australian Government Solicitor**

Australian Government Solicitor (AGS) is a government business enterprise operating on a commercial and competitive basis in providing legal and related services to government and its agencies. AGS does not receive any Budget or other appropriations and its employees are engaged outside of the *Public Service Act 1999*. The question is therefore not applicable to AGS.

### **Australian Human Rights Commission**

a)-i) No.

j)

<b>Name of Contractor</b>	<b>Work undertaken</b>	<b>Contract Value (GST Exclusive)</b>
Praxis Consultants	Expert monitoring and evaluation services and advice <i>Vietnam-Australia human rights technical cooperation program</i> (Phase 4)	\$32,706
Urbis P/L	Research into age discrimination, age stereotyping and ageism more generally, to feed into a media roundtable and communication strategy	\$181,039

#### **Australian Institute of Criminology**

a)-i) No.

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

#### **Australian Law Reform Commission**

This is a NIL response.

a)-i) No.

j) The ALRC as an FMA Agency is required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

#### **Australian Security Intelligence Organisation**

a) – i) ASIO has not employed or intend to employ these contractors.

j) For security reasons it would not be appropriate to comment publicly on this matter.

#### **Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre**

a)-i) No.

i) No

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

#### **CrimTrac**

a)-i) No

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#### **Family Court of Australia**

a)-i) No

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

#### **Federal Magistrates Court of Australia**

a)-i) No

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

#### **Federal Court of Australia**

1. For this financial year to date (1 July 2012 to 31 January 2013):

a)-i) No

j)

Contractor	Purpose	Total Cost (ex-GST)
Talent International	IT Contract Staff	\$70,557
TRA Global	IT Contract Staff	\$116,640
Empire Careers	Temporary Contract Staff Qld	\$12,347
Searson Buck	Temporary Contract Staff Tas	\$9,572

#### **High Court of Australia**

a)-i) No

j) The High Court of Australia has not employed any contractors during the period 1 July 2012 to 31 January 2013.

#### **Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia**

a)-i) No

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more. These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

#### **National Native Title Tribunal**

The NNTT will not be providing a response to this question, as from 1 July 2012 the National Native Title Tribunal is no longer a *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* Agency, and is funded to carry out its functions as a sub-program of the Federal Court of Australia's appropriation.

#### **Office of the Australian Information Commissioner**

a)-i) No.

j) Per table below

Name of Contractor	Work undertaken	Contract Value (GST exclusive)
Energetica Pty Limited	The provision of expert services to design, install, develop, support, and to migrate content from the existing OAIC websites into a web content management system which will become the OAIC's primary website.	\$114,209

**Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions**

a)-i) No.

j) FMA Agencies are required to report all contracts for goods and services entered into of \$10,000 or more.

These are reported as Contract Notices on AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)

**Office of Parliamentary Counsel**

a)-i) No.

j) Contractor Details:

Name	Work Undertaken	Cost (GST exclusive)
Aurion	Personnel services	\$29,522
MYOB Pty Ltd	Contractor services for transfer of licences	\$2,198
ChartSmart Consulting	Technology One system administration support	\$11,220
Technology One Ltd	Technology One configuration	\$14,983
Scribe Management Australia	Scribe Services	\$3,790
Layer 127 Pty Ltd	Comlaw 2.1 Development	\$0
Southern Cross Computing Pty Ltd	Comlaw 2.1 Development	\$0