

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

Question No. 28

Senator Abetz asked the following question at the hearing on 19 October 2009:

To what extent did the Hobart registry and Mr Soden have in providing input in to drafting the letter from the Chief Justice to the President of the Senate, dated 19 August 2009? Did the Registry have any input into the inclusion of the line “It has never been proposed – and will not be proposed – that the Tasmanian District Registry be closed.” in this correspondence?

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

Neither the Hobart Registry nor Mr Soden had any input in to drafting the letter from the Chief Justice to the President of the Senate.