



PUBLIC NOTICE

As the heads of jurisdiction of the courts and tribunals in Western Australia, we are committed to ensuring a safe working environment for all staff. That commitment requires us to ensure that our staff are not subject to any form of sexual harassment in the workplace.

Sexual harassment in any workplace is unlawful and wholly unacceptable. It is also contrary to the demands of justice that judicial officers are sworn to uphold. For that reason any form of sexual harassment by a judicial officer is not only reprehensible, but a breach of the public trust.

In light of the outcome of the recent investigation commissioned by the High Court of Australia, courts and tribunals in Western Australia are taking steps to review their existing policies and procedures concerning this issue, and to ensure that they are effectively and clearly understood by all staff. It is essential that all staff have the confidence that they are able to raise any concerns or complaints that they may have in the workplace and that those concerns or complaints will be properly addressed.

Dated 24 June 2020.

Handwritten signature of Peter Quinlan in black ink.

The Hon Justice Peter Quinlan
Chief Justice of Western Australia

Handwritten signature of Gail Sutherland in black ink.

The Hon Justice Gail Sutherland
Chief Judge of the Family Court
of Western Australia

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The Hon Justice Janine Pritchard
President of the
State Administrative Tribunal

Handwritten signature of Julie Wager in blue ink.

Her Honour Judge Julie Wager
Chief Judge of the District Court
of Western Australia

Handwritten signature of Hylton Quail in blue ink.

His Honour Judge Hylton Quail
President of the Children's Court
of Western Australia

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His Honour Magistrate Steven Heath
Chief Magistrate of the Magistrates Court
of Western Australia