

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

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Question No. AE15/120

Senator Collins asked the following written question from the 24 February and 27 March 2015 hearings:

1. Have any Family Court judges been appointed since the Abbott Government took office in September 2013?
2. When will the Abbott Government appoint a replacement for Justice Fowler of the Family Court, who retired some 15 months ago?
3. When will the Abbott Government appoint a replacement for Justice Bell who retired in February 2015?

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

1. No
- 2-3 Determining the timing of judicial appointments is a matter for Government.