

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

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Question No. 80

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 27 May 2008:

What are the terms of reference for the standing panel for Federal Court Appointments? Can a copy of the letter confirming the appointment be tabled?

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

The Attorney-General wrote to the Hon Chief Justice Michael Black AC, the Hon Sir Gerard Brennan AC KBE and the Hon Justice Jane Mathews AO thanking each for agreeing to participate in a standing panel to make recommendations of highly suitable candidates for appointment to the Federal Court. It would not be appropriate to table the Attorney-General's correspondence.