## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS FAMILY COURT OF AUSTRALIA

## Question No. 23

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

Provide the current longest waiting period for a case to be heard in the Court.

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

In three out of four cases (75<sup>th</sup> percentile) the time taken from filing to finalisation for final orders application in the Family Court during 2008/09 was 18.8 months. The maximum time taken for a case to finalise during 2008/09 was 66.2 months.