

SUBMISSION TO THE REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL

JUDICIAL AND OTHER OFFICERS

I make the following submission in response to the invitation addressed to me as the ACT Integrity Commissioner.

The remuneration of the ACT Integrity Commissioner was determined by Determination 16 of 2018: Part -time Statutory Office Holder : Integrity Commissioner.

The considerations referred to in the Determination record that the Remuneration Tribunal took into account the duties of the Integrity Commissioner in the investigation and exposure of corrupt conduct and systemic corrupt conduct.

The remuneration fixed for the Integrity Commissioner appears to have been determined at the rate payable to a Supreme Court judge of the Australian Capital Territory ("ACT"), and on the basis that the level of responsibility accompanying such office is no less than that of a Supreme Court judge.

It has been the tradition that the payment of State judges and Territory judges accords with the remuneration paid to judges of the Federal Court of Australia, as determined by the Remuneration Tribunal (Commonwealth).

In my respectful submission, the parity between the rate determined for a Supreme Court judge of the ACT and the Integrity Commissioner should be maintained to ensure that the office of the Integrity Commissioner retains the same significance as has already been recognised by the Remuneration Tribunal.

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