

**SUPREME COURT OF TASMANIA
CIRCULAR TO PRACTITIONERS**

No. 2 of 2017

1 February 2017

**CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE OPENING OF THE LAW YEAR
FRIDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2017**

1. FORM OF SERVICE

There will be an Ecumenical Service at St. David's Cathedral, Murray Street, Hobart at 11.00am on Friday, 3 February 2017.

2. ROUTE OF PROCESSION

The procession will move from the side of Church House (adjacent to St David's Cathedral) at 10.55am and proceed along the footpath of Macquarie Street and enter the Cathedral by the main entrance in Murray Street.

In the case of inclement weather, processors should assemble in the Cathedral Cloisters, entry off Macquarie Street.

3. ORDER OF PROCESSION

The Hon. Chief Justice and Judges and Associate Judge of the Supreme Court
The Hon. Justice Benjamin
The Hon. Justice Kerr
The Hon. Justice Tree
Judge McGuire
Judge Baker
Mr Greg Melick SC, Deputy President, Administrative Appeals Tribunal
Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Deputy Registrar
Supreme Court Associates
Magistrates
Ms Penelope Ikedife, Administrator of Courts
Associates to visiting Judges
Messrs John Jameson JP and David Paton APM JP (representatives of the Justices' Association)
The Hon Dr Vanessa Goodwin, Attorney General
The Hon Elise Archer, Speaker, House of Assembly (representing the Premier)
The Hon Cassie O'Connor, the Leader of the Greens
Mr Michael O'Farrell SC, Solicitor-General
Mr Daryl Coates SC, Director of Public Prosecutions
Mr Alan Morgan, Crown Solicitor
Mr Kieran Pitt QC, Chair, Legal Profession Board
Ms Robyn Webb, Chief Parliamentary Counsel
Mr Patrick Lunn, Chairman, Legal Aid Commission
Ms Christine Arnott, Acting-Director, Legal Aid Commission
Ms Yvonne Chaperon, President Mental Health Tribunal
Mr David Wilson, Director Australian Government Solicitor
Ms Stefanie Cordina, Principal Federal Prosecutor, CDPP
Professor Gino Dal Pont, University of Tasmania
Ald. Sue Hickey, Lord Mayor of Hobart
Queen's Counsel, Senior Counsel
Mr Rohan Foon, President, Law Society of Tasmania
Mr Will Justo, Vice President, Law Society of Tasmania
Mr Luke Rheinberger, Executive Director, Law Society of Tasmania

Ms Francesca Saturno, Deputy Director, Law Society of Tasmania
Senior Practitioners
Legal practitioners generally
Newly admitted practitioners
Tasmanian Legal Practice Course Trainees

All members of the legal profession are requested to robe. If robing, wigs are to be worn. Church House in Macquarie Street (adjacent to the Cathedral) is available for robing.

Those in the procession are asked to assemble at the side of Church House, no later than 10.45am ready to move off promptly at 10.55am. The Registrar will be responsible for ensuring that these arrangements are carried out. The Chief Justice would be obliged if the profession would carry out the Registrar's instructions. There are no parking facilities available in the grounds of the Cathedral.

4. CLERKS, PARTNERS AND FRIENDS

Persons not in the procession will be directed to pews by ushers supplied by the Registry. They should be seated before the procession enters the Cathedral.

5. SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

These will be in accordance with the attached Appendix.

6. DEPARTURE FROM THE CATHEDRAL

Departure from the Cathedral will be via the Main Door, led by the Dean followed by clergy, Chief Justice, Judges, Associate Judge, Justice Benjamin, Justice Kerr, Justice Tree, Judge McGuire and Judge Baker and associates. Otherwise there will be no retiring procession.

J A Connolly
REGISTRAR

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APPENDIX

**SEATING ARRANGEMENTS - ST DAVID'S CATHEDRAL
FRIDAY, 3 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 11.00AM**

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1-3	Chief Justice, Judges, Associate Judge; Justice Benjamin of the Family Court; Justice Kerr of the Federal Court & President AAT; Justice Tree of the Family Court; Judges McGuire and Baker of Federal Circuit Court	1	Cathedral Use
4-5	Registrar; Deputy Registrar, Assistant Deputy Registrar; The Hon. Pierre Slicer AO QC; The Hon. David Porter QC The Hon. Michael Hannon; The Hon. Shane Marshall; Mr Michael Hill	2	Attorney-General; Speaker of House of Assembly(Rep. Premier); Leader of Greens
6	Associates	3-4	Judges' spouses
7-9	Magistrates; Justices' Association reps; Solicitor-General; DPP; Crown Solicitor; Mr Greg Melick SC (Dep. President AAT) Mr Kieran Pitt QC (Chair, Legal Profession Board) Mr Patrick Lunn, Chair, Legal Aid Commission of Tasmania; Ms Christine Arnott, A/Director, Legal Aid Commission of Tasmania; President Mental Health Tribunal Director AGS Ms Stefanie Cordova (Principal Federal Prosecutor CDPP)	5	Lord Mayor of Hobart; Police Commissioner; Secretary Dept. of Justice; Administrator of Courts Chief Parliamentary Counsel
10-11	Senior Practitioners; Practitioners in Procession	6-7	QCs/SCs, President and Vice President Law Society of Tas.; Executive Director and Deputy Director of Law Society of Tas.; Director of Centre for Legal Studies
12-16	Practitioners generally, clerks, spouses & friends	8	Senior Practitioners; Practitioners in Procession
17- Back	Legal Practice Course Trainees	9	Newly admitted practitioners
		10 – Back	Legal Practice Course Trainees