

## OVERSEAS TRAVEL

### The Jurisprudential Expense Allowance

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In 1988, the *independent* Salaries and Allowances Tribunal established by Parliament introduced an Allowance, called the Jurisprudential Expense Allowance, to enable Judges “to familiarise themselves with current developments in jurisprudence and judicial practice in a rapidly changing world without the pressure of the normal workload”. The Tribunal considered that “some part of the expenses of such ongoing familiarisation program should be met by the State”.

However, with effect from 1993 the Tribunal has viewed the allowance “as part of the total income of Queensland Judges”. Consequently, it has reduced judicial salaries (compared to other jurisdictions) by the amount of the Allowance and permitted judges to take the allowance as salary. As the Allowance is in the nature of a salary sacrifice, it is not correct to view it as “taxpayers’ money”.

#### Funding overseas travel

Overseas travel by Judges is generally undertaken pursuant to the Jurisprudential Expense Allowance. Judges may also fund it from an Expense of Office Allowance granted by the Tribunal, although this allowance is also used for such expenses as library books and the purchase, maintenance and insurance of judicial regalia.

The Chief Justice, the President of the Court of Appeal, and the original Judges of the Court of Appeal are also entitled to first-class travel overseas once per year.

The various allowances are only payable for expenses actually incurred for the purposes of the allowance. These expenses may include the travel costs of a Judge’s spouse.

Drawings on allowances are administered by Court Administration.

#### The cost of travel in the past financial year

The following table shows the amounts paid or reimbursed between 1 July 2004 and 30 June 2005, even though the travel may have been undertaken earlier or later.

All Supreme Court Judges have agreed to the inclusion of their overseas travel expenditure on the webpage.

The table includes those District Court Judges who have authorised details of their overseas travel for publication on the webpage.

**JUDICIAL OVERSEAS TRAVEL 2004-2005**

<b>Name of Judge</b>	<b>Countries Visited</b>	<b>Purpose of Visit</b>	<b>Period of Travel</b>	<b>Cost</b>
The Honourable Justice Roslyn G ATKINSON	New Zealand (Auckland)	International Bar Association Conference, Auckland 24-29/10/04	October, 2004	\$4,877.25
The Honourable Justice Roslyn G ATKINSON	Hungary (Debrecen)	Guest speaker at the 8th Biennial European Association for the Studies of Australia Conference, Debrecen 20-24/09/05	September, 2005	\$324.77
His Honour Judge Brian J BOULTON	Italy (Florence)	Repayment of unexpended advance for the Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-05/07/04	July, 2004	<del>-\$704.88</del>
His Honour Judge Charles J L BRABAZON	South Africa (Cape Town)	4th World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights 20-23/05/05, Cape Town	May, 2005	\$14,937.56
His Honour Judge Grant T BRITTON	Italy (Cortina)	Registration for Europe Pacific Legal Conference, Cortina 08-15/01/05	January, 2005	\$885.00
His Honour Judge Grant T BRITTON	Scotland	Long Leave - Deposit on accommodation, Scotland 05/12/05 - 21/04/06 (Discussions, meetings and court visits planned)	December, 2005 - April, 2006	\$836.97
The Honourable Justice John H BYRNE	Greece (Athens)	Participate in discussion in PIRAEUS, 26/04/05 with Director, Hellenic Institute of International and Foreign Law, and Legal Practitioners	April, 2005	\$16,018.20
The Honourable Justice John H BYRNE	USA (Washington DC)	6th Worldwide Common Law Judiciary Conference, Washington DC 29/05 - 03/06/05	May-June, 2005	\$9,854.27
The Honourable Justice Richard N CHESTERMAN	UK (London)	Confer with the Secretary of the Expert Witness Institute, and examine sentencing procedures at the Crown Court in Southwark, London 14-26/11/04 (Travel detour from Dublin, Ireland attending World Cancer Organisation Conference, in capacity as QLD Cancer Fund Chairman)	November, 2004	\$5,097.50
The Honourable Justice Keiran A CULLINANE	Italy (Venice, Rome) and Slovenia (Ljubljana)	5th Pan Europe Pacific Conference, Venice 29/03 - 02/04/05; Visit and address students at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, visit Slovenian Supreme Courts 05-08/04/05; Attend meetings with members of the Italian Legal Profession and visit courts, Rome 16-27/04/05	March-April, 2005	\$21,336.11
The Honourable Justice Geoffrey L DAVIES	Romania (Bucharest)	7th Biennial Conference "International Perspectives on Crime, Justice and Public Order", Bucharest 06-10/06/04	June, 2004	\$24,507.51
The Honourable Chief Justice Paul dE JERSEY	UK (London), Germany (Frankfurt) and Canada (Toronto, Vancouver)	Travel to London, Frankfurt, Toronto and Vancouver 20/12/04 to 15/01/05 for various meetings and engagements - expert evidence (Expert Witness Institute, London), judicial studies (Judicial Studies Board, London), archival and library issues (Dept of Constitutional Affairs, National Archives, British Library - London), professional regulation (Law Society of England and Wales, London; Law Society of Upper Canada, Toronto; Law Society of British Columbia, Vancouver), civil justice reform, courthouse design and security (courthouses in Toronto and Vancouver).	December, 2004 - January, 2005	\$23,278.43
Her Honour Judge Julie M DICK	Italy (Lake Como, Florence, Rome)	Europe Asia Legal Conference, Lake Como, 27/06-02/07/04; Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-06/07/04; Visits to Judiciary in Rome 06-11/07/04	June-July, 2004	\$4,708.93
Her Honour Judge Julie M DICK	New Zealand (Auckland)	International Bar Association Conference, Auckland 24-29/10/04. Visit Rotorua High Court 26/10/04	October, 2004	\$5,578.92
Her Honour Judge Julie M DICK	Dubai	Presentation at International Bar Association programme of Human Rights Training for Iraqi Judges, Lawyers and Prosecutors in Dubai, 22-26/05/05	May, 2005	\$5,936.70
His Honour Judge Keith S DODDS	South Africa (Durban)	Expenses claim whilst attending International Bar Association Conference, Durban 20-25/10/02	October, 2002	\$1,352.20
His Honour Judge Keith S DODDS	China (Shanghai)	Attend meetings and visits to the High Peoples Court of China, Shanghai 10-25/03/05	March, 2005	\$4,325.47
His Honour Judge Keith S DODDS	Italy (Milan, Priano)	8th Transnational Crime Conference, Milan, 23-25/06/05; Europe Asia Legal Conference, Priano 03-09/07/05	June-July, 2005	\$16,130.45
The Honourable Justice James S DOUGLAS	Italy (Florence) and France	Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-06/07/04; Court visit and view proceedings in Court of Appeal sitting in Aix-En-Provence; Consultations with Professor, Montpellier University on Business Law, France 07-09/07/04	July, 2004	\$5,143.15
The Honourable Justice James S DOUGLAS	USA (Newark, NJ)	American Law Institute (ALI) Conference, Newark, New Jersey 14-22/05/05	May, 2005	\$2,606.15
The Honourable Justice James S DOUGLAS	France (Paris)	Attend Summer Institute of International and Comparative Law, Cornell Law School, Paris 28/06 - 30/07/05	June-July, 2005	\$8,437.92
The Honourable Justice Peter R DUTNEY	Ireland (Dublin)	Joint Conference of the Australian and Irish Bar Associations, Dublin 29/06-02/07/05	June-July, 2005	\$9,221.00
His Honour Judge Garry S FORNO	New Zealand (Auckland)	International Bar Association Conference, Auckland 24-29/10/04.	October, 2004	\$3,062.50
The Honourable Justice Henry G FRYBERG	China (Shanghai) and Hong Kong	Attend Shanghai Winter School Unit "Chinese Laws and Legal Systems", East China University of Politics and Law, Shanghai 02-23/01/05 (co-sponsored by the Faculty of Law, University of Sydney). Courts visited: Shanghai High People's Court; Shanghai Number 2 Intermediate People's Court; Hong Kong Court of Final Appeal; Guangdong High People's Court; Shenzhen Intermediate People's Court.	January, 2005	\$19,128.83
The Honourable Justice John W B HELMAN	Italy (Florence)	Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-05/07/04	July, 2004	\$8,235.30
His Honour Judge Brian C HOATH	Ireland (Dublin)	Joint Conference of the Australian and Irish Bar Associations, Dublin 29/06-02/07/05	June-July, 2005	\$24,280.65
The Honourable Justice Catherine E HOLMES	Italy (Florence)	Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-05/07/04	July, 2004	\$170.25

The Honourable Justice Stanley G JONES	USA (Princeton)	15th Annual Medina Seminar "The Art of Judging - Individual and Societal Perspectives", Princeton University, Princeton 06-18/06/04	June, 2004	\$2,180.53
The Honourable Justice Stanley G JONES	Spain (Madrid), France (Paris), Ireland (Dublin) and Italy (Priano)	Travel to Europe, May to July, 2005 for conferences as listed: International Bar Association 16th Annual Communications and Competition Law Conference, Madrid 23-24/05/05; AIJA / IBA Conference, Paris 17-18/06/05; Joint Conference of the Australian and Irish Bar Associations, Dublin 29/06 - 02/07/05; Europe Asia Legal Conference, Priano 03-09/07/05	May-July, 2005	\$22,025.58
The Honourable Justice Martin P MOYNIHAN	UK (Oxford)	Expense claim for visit to Oxford College, UK as Official Guest in capacity of Judge, July 2004	July, 2004	\$84.01
The Honourable Justice Martin P MOYNIHAN	India (Hyderabad)	Registration fee for the 2nd International Conference on Technology, Knowledge and Society, Hyderabad 12-15/12/05	December, 2005	\$750.00
The Honourable Justice John D M MUIR	New Zealand (Auckland)	Supreme and Federal Court Judges' Conference, Auckland 25-29/01/04	January, 2004	\$2,595.45
The Honourable Justice John D M MUIR	Argentina (Buenos Aires), Germany (Bad Kreuznach, Bonn, Berlin, Dresden, Munich), UK (London, Oxford) and Thailand (Bangkok)	Travel to Buenos Aires 09-13/09/04, Germany 14/09-28/10/04, UK 29/10-09/11/04 and Bangkok 10/11-20/11/04. Attend various meetings and discussions with Judicial Professionals and Officials, visit local Courts and witness proceedings; Attend 65th Annual Conference of German Lawyers, Bonn 21-24/09/04	September-November, 2004	\$26,834.66
The Honourable Justice John D M MUIR	Switzerland (Geneva)	3rd European Jurists' Forum, Geneva 07-09/09/05	September, 2005	\$13,749.20
His Honour Judge John E NEWTON	Italy (Lake Como, Florence)	Europe Asia Legal Conference, Lake Como, 27/06-02/07/04; Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-06/07/04	June-July, 2004	\$2,391.83
His Honour Judge John E NEWTON	Italy (Lake Como)	Registration fee for the Europe Asia Legal Conference, Lake Como June-July, 2007	June-July, 2007	\$885.00
His Honour Judge Kerry J O'BRIEN	Fiji (Suva)	Meeting of the Heads of Children's Court Jurisdictions, Suva 11-13/07/05	July, 2005	\$2,246.00
Her Honour Judge Helen O'SULLIVAN	UK (Cambridge) and Italy (Florence)	Visiting Fellow, Wolfson College, Cambridge; In residence as an official visitor to the University of Cambridge 16/04-30/06/04 and 14-16/07/04; Attend Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 01-06/07/04	April-July, 2004	\$14,838.00
His Honour Judge Robert D PACK	Italy (Lake Como, Florence)	Europe Asia Legal Conference, Lake Como, 27/06-02/07/04; Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence 02-06/07/04	June-July, 2004	\$3,716.18
His Honour Judge Robert D PACK	USA, Canada, UK & Europe	Advance for overseas travel to the USA, Canada, UK and Europe to attend conferences, seminars 22/05 - 20/07/05 (including Legal introductions with Canadian courts; Harold Medina Judge's Conference, Princeton, Washington; Legal Conference in Chicago; Australian and Irish Bar Association Conference, Dublin; ISDR Conference, Sweden; British Pacific Legal Conference, London)	May-July, 2005	\$35,000.00
His Honour Judge Robert D PACK	UK (London)	Registration for the Britain Pacific Legal Conference, London 14-20/07/05	July, 2005	\$850.00
His Honour Judge Michael RACKEMANN	New Zealand (Wellington)	Attend judicial meetings and visit New Zealand courts, Wellington 18-24/09/04	September, 2004	\$3,323.34
Her Honour Judge Deborah RICHARDS	South Africa (Cape Town)	4th World Congress on Family Law and Children's Rights 20-23/05/05, Cape Town	May, 2005	\$7,228.83
His Honour Judge John M ROBERTSON	Ireland (Dublin)	Celtic Pacific Legal Conference, Dublin 07-14/07/04	July, 2004	\$853.00
His Honour Judge Philip D ROBIN	Canada (British Columbia)	Presenter, Advanced Professional Education Conference, British Columbia 10-14/01/05	January, 2005	\$10,574.25
His Honour Judge Philip D ROBIN	UK (London)	Registration fee for the 17th British Legal History Conference, University College, London 04-07/07/05	July, 2005	\$325.56
His Honour Judge Nicholas SAMIOS	Greece (Mykonos)	10th Greek / Australian International Legal and Medical Conference, Mykonos 29/05 - 04/06/05	May-June, 2005	\$19,966.00
His Honour Judge Michael J SHANAHAN	Italy (Venice)	4th Pan Europe Pacific Legal Conference, Venice 12-18/04/04	April, 2004	\$6,196.60
His Honour Judge Michael J SHANAHAN	New Zealand (Wellington)	Registration fee for the 23rd AIJA Annual Conference 2005, Wellington, 07-09/10/05	October, 2005	\$701.54
His Honour Senior Judge Nelson A SKOEN	South Africa (Cape Town), France (Paris) and Italy (Florence, Rome)	Judicial Deliberations, Cape Town, Paris, Rome; attend Australian Bar Association Conference, Florence; 14/05 - 22/07/05	May-July, 2005	\$21,991.90
His Honour Senior Judge Nelson A SKOEN	USA	Judicial Deliberations, USA incorporating California, Colorado, New Mexico, Washington DC, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Georgia, South Carolina and Virginia, July to September, 2005	July-September, 2005	\$11,090.00
His Honour Senior Judge Gilbert TRAFFORD-WALKER	Fiji	Fiji Law Society Annual Conference - Professional Responsibility, Fiji 01-02/07/05	July, 2005	\$2,923.80
The Honourable Justice Margaret J WHITE	Singapore, UK (London), Turkey (Istanbul), Greece (Crete), Canada (Vancouver) and Hong Kong	Travel to Singapore, London, Turkey, Crete, Vancouver and Hong Kong May to June, 2004. Attend various meetings with Judicial Professionals and Officials, Court and University visits; Maritime Law Seminar 05/05/04, London; "AE2" Workshop 17/05/04, Istanbul; Participate in Greek Conference 'Professional Responsibilities - Where to Now?', Crete 23-28/05/04; Comité Maritime International (CMI) Conference, Vancouver 31/05 - 04/06/04	May-June, 2004	\$16,046.20
The Honourable Justice Glenn N WILLIAMS	New Zealand (Auckland)	International Bar Association Conference, Auckland 24-29/10/04	October, 2004	\$4,996.00
Her Honour Chief Judge Patricia M WOLFE	New Zealand (Queenstown)	Council of Chief Judges Meeting, Queenstown 16-18/11/04	November, 2004	\$2,539.76
His Honour Judge I. McG WYLIE	Greece (Mykonos)	10th Greek / Australian International Legal and Medical Conference, Mykonos 29/05/05 - 04/06/05	May-June, 2005	\$6,510.00

TOTAL JUDICIAL OVERSEAS TRAVEL 2004-2005

**\$482,980.33**

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The annual Jurisprudential Expense Allowance from 1 July 2004 is

Chief Justice	\$24,105
President, Court of Appeal	\$23,360
Supreme Court Judges	\$20,520
District Court Judges	\$18,470