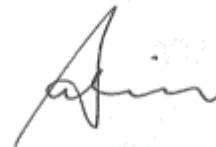


QCAT Practice Direction No 8 of 2013

Joinder of Parties

Effective: 29 August 2013

1. Under section 42 of the QCAT Act, a person may be joined as a party to a proceeding in specified circumstances.
2. A party or person making an application for joinder must specify the capacity in which the person is sought to be joined as a party to the proceeding. That is, whether the person be joined as an applicant, or as a respondent.
3. When an application for joinder is made, the Tribunal will make directions setting out a timetable for submissions about the application. As well as making directions for submissions from the parties and the applicant for joinder (if not already a party), the tribunal may also invite submissions from the person who is the subject of the application. The submissions must set out whether they agree or not agree with the orders sought, and the reasons for that position.
4. The directions will also provide for the hearing of the joinder application. Usually the hearing will be 'on the papers'; that is, the Tribunal will decide the application after receiving and considering the written submissions, but without an oral hearing.
5. If the Tribunal decides that a person should be joined as a party, the order shall specify the capacity in which the person is joined and how that person will be referred to in the proceeding.



*Justice Alan Wilson
President*

29 August 2013