

**SUPREME COURT OF TASMANIA
CIRCULAR TO PRACTITIONERS**

No. 1 of 2016

27 January 2016

**CHURCH SERVICE FOR THE OPENING OF THE LAW YEAR
FRIDAY, 29 JANUARY 2016**

1. FORM OF SERVICE

There will be an Ecumenical Service at St. David's Cathedral, Murray Street, Hobart at 11.00am on Friday, 29 January 2016.

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. Peter Tree

Judge Roberts

Judge McGuire

Judge Baker

Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Deputy Registrar

Supreme Court Associates

Magistrates

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 Lara Giddings (representing the Leader of the Opposition)

Senator the Hon Eric Abetz

Mr Michael O'Farrell SC, Solicitor-General

Mr Daryl Coates SC, Director of Public Prosecutions

Mr Greg Melick AO SC, Chief Commissioner, Integrity Commission

Mr Patrick Lunn, Chairman, Legal Aid Commission

Dr Graham Hill, Director, Legal Aid Commission

Mr Greg Geason, Chairman Resource Management & Planning Appeal Tribunal

Ms Robin Banks, Anti-Discrimination Commissioner

Ms Yvonne Chaperon, President Mental Health Tribunal

Mr David Wilson, Director Australian Government Solicitor

Mr Ian Arendt, Principal Federal Prosecutor, CDPP

Professor Margaret Otlowski, Law Faculty UTAS

Professor Don Chalmers, Law Faculty UTAS

Ald. Sue Hickey, Lord Mayor of Hobart

Ald. Doug Chipman, the Mayor of Clarence

Queen's Counsel, Senior Counsel

Mr Matthew Verney, President, Law Society of Tasmania

Mr Will Justo, Treasurer, Law Society of Tasmania

Mr Luke Rheinberger, Executive 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. HER EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR

Her Excellency the Governor and her party will arrive at the Murray Street entrance at 10.59am and will be met by the Dean and conducted into the Cathedral.

5. SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

These will be in accordance with the attached Appendix.

6. DEPARTURE FROM THE CATHEDRAL

Her Excellency and her party will be escorted to the Main Door by the Dean followed by clergy, Chief Justice, Judges, Associate Judge, Justice Benjamin, Justice Kerr, Justice Tree, Judge Roberts, Judge McGuire and Judge Baker and associates. Otherwise there will be no retiring procession.

J A Connolly
REGISTRAR

Encl

APPENDIX**SEATING ARRANGEMENTS - ST DAVID'S CATHEDRAL
FRIDAY, 29 JANUARY 2016 AT 11.00AM****LECTERN****ALTAR**

1	Her Excellency the Governor, Mr Warner and Aide	1	Cathedral Use
2-4	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 Roberts, McGuire and Baker of Federal Circuit Court	2	Attorney-General; Speaker of House of Assembly(Rep. Premier); Ms L Giddings (Rep. Leader of the Opposition) Senator Eric Abetz
5	Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Deputy Registrar; The Hon WJE Cox AC RDF ED QC; The Hon Michael Hannon; The Hon. Shane Marshall; Mr Edward Sikk; Mr Michael Hill	3-4	Judges' spouses
6-7	Associates	5	Lord Mayor of Hobart; Mayor of Clarence; Police Commissioner,; Secretary Dept. of Justice; Deputy Secretary Dept. of Justice
8-10	Magistrates; Justices' Association reps; Solicitor-General; DPP; Chief Commissioner, Integrity Commission Chairman & Director Legal Aid Commission of Tasmania; Chairman Resource Management & Planning Appeal Tribunal; Anti-Discrimination Commissioner; President Mental Health Tribunal Director AGS Principal Federal Prosecutor CDPP	6-9	Dean of Law Faculty; QCs/SCs, President Law Society of Tas.; Treasurer Law Society of Tas.; Executive Director of Law Society of Tas.; Director of Centre for Legal Studies
11	Senior Practitioners; Practitioners in Procession	10	Senior Practitioners; Practitioners in Procession
12-16	Practitioners generally, clerks, spouses & friends	11	Newly admitted practitioners
17- Back	Legal Practice Course Trainees	12 – Back	Legal Practice Course Trainees