

Council Attendance 2000 - 2001

Council Member	2000			2001							
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug
President Jon Tippett	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		
Immediate Past President Steve Southwood QC	✓						✓	✓	✓		
Vice President Ian Morris	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Secretary Merran Short	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
Treasurer Eileen Terrill	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Alice Springs Rep. Katrina Budrikis			✓			✓	✓		✓		
Alice Springs Alternate Rep Domenic Conidi	✓		✓		✓			✓			
Richard Coates	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bob Gosford				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
Tim Jacobs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓
Duncan Maclean	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓			✓
Duncan McConnel	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓
Elizabeth Morris	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓			✓	✓

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"DARCY" DUGAN: 40 YEARS AS A MAGISTRATE

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achievable is a big help to magistrates.

"The administration of the courts has improved. The people who are running the courts are far more advanced in the administrative field these days than they were many years ago. What has been very good is that there has been an understanding from the bureaucrats and public servants about their role so there is a division between the courts and the bureaucracy and the independence of the courts has not been impinged. The courts have got to understand that they have got to rely on public servants to

provide buildings, pay the salaries etc. People have got to understand that once you step into the courtroom it is a whole different ball game.

"Chief Magistrates are in a whole different position from other magistrates in that they are the conduit between the magistracy and government. Chief Justices are the same. Sometimes their role has to be fairly carefully understood. At one time you will be talking to the minister and other politicians about new acts of parliament and so on and then you've

got to cut yourself off and go back to the bench and concentrate on that job. If you are not able to differentiate between those two roles it's a disaster," he said.

"We've got a former Territorian as Chief Magistrate in Victoria now which is interesting. He left the Territory in a bit of controversy and took over in Victoria in a bit more controversy I suspect. By all accounts he is doing a very, very good job. He's a nice man and what he has in his favour is that first of all he was a magistrate," said Mr Dugan.