

## Appendix 5: Legal services directions

The legal services directions reflect the obligations imposed on Chief Executives by the *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* and emphasise the general requirement that Commonwealth resources be used efficiently and effectively.

Chief Executives are required to take responsibility for the proper recording and public reporting of their agency's legal services expenditure. Proper recording will enhance the ability of Chief Executives to engage in decision making about legal resources that complies with their legal obligation to use

resources efficiently and effectively. Making publicly available records about expenditure will enhance transparency. In accordance with the Directions, the CEO has certified that:

- ARPANSA has appropriate systems and procedures in place to ensure compliance with the Directions
- ARPANSA has no record of any alleged, possible or determined breach of the Directions by this agency during the financial year.

Details of the legal services expenditure for the agency for 2011-12 are provided in Table 17.

**Table 17: Legal services expenditure by ARPANSA for 2011-12**

Legal Service	Expenditure (incl. GST)
Agency's total legal services expenditure	\$898 280
Agency's total external legal services expenditure	\$260 135
External expenditure on solicitors	-
External expenditure on counsel	-
Other disbursements on external legal services	-
Agency's total internal legal services expenditure	\$638 145