

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW TRIBUNAL

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) No: 2025/4916
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Re: Fraser Tweedale
Applicant

And: CEO, Services Australia
Respondent

DIRECTION

TRIBUNAL: Registrar Gillespie

DATE: 17 December 2025

PLACE: Brisbane

The Tribunal DIRECTS:

1. On or before **24 December 2025**, the Respondent must give to the Tribunal and to the Applicant, its written submissions in support of an application under s 134 of the Administrative Review Tribunal Act 2024 (Cth) for the Tribunal's powers in this proceeding to be exercised in the Tribunal's Intelligence and Security Jurisdictional area.
2. On or before **16 January 2026**, the Applicant must give to the Tribunal and to the Respondent its written submissions in response to the interlocutory application.
3. On or before **16 February 2026**, the parties are to provide to the Tribunal and to each other a hearing certificate setting out:
 - a. the parties' unavailable dates for a hearing for the period from July to September 2026;
 - b. the mode of hearing sought;
 - c. the number of witnesses each party proposes to call; and
 - d. any disability-related adjustments requested for the hearing.
4. On or before **12 April 2026**, the Respondent must give to the Tribunal and to the Applicant:

- a. a Statement of Facts, Issues and Contentions; and
 - b. any further evidence on which it intends to rely.
5. On or before **5 June 2026**, the Applicant must give to the Tribunal and to the Respondent:
 - a. a Statement of Facts, Issues and Contentions; and
 - b. any further evidence on which he intends to rely.
6. On or before **26 June 2026**, the Respondent may give to the Tribunal and to the Applicant any written reply to the Applicant's Statement of Facts, Issues and Contentions.
7. On or before **21 days prior to the hearing**, the parties are to consult and the Respondent must give to the Tribunal and to the Applicant:
 - a. a joint tender bundle that is paginated and indexed, containing all of the relevant documents to the decision under review; and
 - b. a joint proposed witness schedule.

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Registrar Gillespie

NOTES TO DIRECTION

1. If you do not comply with a direction, the Tribunal will list the application for a directions hearing. You will be required to attend the directions hearing and explain why you have not complied with the direction.
2. The Tribunal can dismiss an application if an Applicant fails within a reasonable time to comply with a direction made by the Tribunal. This power is set out in section 100 of the *Administrative Review Tribunal Act 2024*. If you are the Applicant and you fail to comply with a direction, you may also be asked to explain at the directions hearing why your application should not be dismissed.
3. If a party fails to comply with this direction, the Tribunal will not necessarily decide to adjourn, or delay the listing of, an alternative dispute resolution process or hearing.
4. Where the Tribunal has the power to award or recommend the payment of costs, failure by a party to comply with this direction may be taken into account in making a decision relating to costs.



5. If you do not believe you will be able to comply with a timeframe or any other aspect of this direction, you must make a request to the Tribunal for an extension of time to comply or for a variation of the direction. You should make the request well before the date by which you are required to comply with the direction.

Unless the Tribunal allows otherwise, the request must:

- a. be in writing
- b. explain the reasons for requesting more time or for the variation, and
- c. tell us whether or not the other party agrees to the request.

The Tribunal may ask you or the other party for more information, list a directions hearing or decide the request on the papers.

6. If you have been directed to give the Tribunal a Hearing Certificate, the Tribunal may list your application for hearing without further consultation if you do not provide the Hearing Certificate by the specified date.