

Response to question on notice

Questions on Notice Paper No 11

25 September 2025

Question No. 676

MR SHANE RATTENBURY MLA: To ask the Minister for Homes, Homelessness and New Suburbs

1. In how many matters has Housing ACT engaged the ACT Government Solicitor to represent them at the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal over the last 3 years, broken down by each year?
2. How much did this cost for each of the years referred to in part (1)?

MS YVETTE BERRY MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. The number of matters in which the ACT Government Solicitor's Office (ACTGSO) has represented Housing ACT at the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) by financial year is as below:
 - 2022-23 – 10 matters
 - 2023-24 – 22 matters
 - 2024-25 – 16 matters
 - 2025-26 (to 30 September 2025) – 8 matters

And breakdown by calendar year is as below:

- 2022 – 10 matters
- 2023 – 10 matters
- 2024 – 25 matters
- 2025 (to 30 September 2025) – 15 matters

Please note, above counts do not include instances where the ACTGSO has assisted in Tribunal matters but not provided representation, for example, lodging an application or providing advice on prospects of an application.

2. The total costs for engagement with the ACTGSO over the past three years is as below.
Please note, these costs are not necessarily only for representation at ACAT but include all engagement with the ACTGSO. Examples include (but are not limited to) drafting emails, legal advice, contract advice and tenancy advice.

- 2022-2023 - \$628,785.76
- 2023-2024 - \$465,467.68
- 2024-2025 - \$1,280,970.13

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