



HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

HIGH COURT (2023 SITTINGS) RULES 2022 17 AUGUST 2022 EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Each year, the Justices of the High Court of Australia make a Rule of Court appointing the places and days of the sittings of each Full Court for the following year. These Rules of Court are made by the Justices under the rule-making power given by s 86 of the *Judiciary Act 1903*.

This Rule of Court appoints the sittings of the Full Court of the High Court at Canberra and other places for 2023. Where required, and if practicable, sittings of the Court will continue to be held in Adelaide, Brisbane, Darwin, Hobart and Perth. Additional sittings of the Full Court may also be held on other days as required, for example in matters requiring expedition. These sittings are appointed by the Chief Justice pursuant to Rule 6.04.2 of the *High Court Rules 2004*.

Consultation

As in previous years, no consultation was necessary in relation to the appointment of the High Court sitting dates for 2023. The Rule does not substantially alter long-standing arrangements.

Statement of compatibility

Section 9 of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* provides that Rules of Court made for the High Court of Australia are not legislative instruments for the purposes of that Act. The *Human Rights (Parliamentary Scrutiny) Act 2011* therefore does not apply to any such Rules of Court and no statement of compatibility for the purposes of that latter Act is included in the Explanatory Statement.