



HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

HIGH COURT RULE OF COURT 23 AUGUST 2016 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 for 2017. Sittings of the Court will continue to be held in Adelaide, Brisbane, Hobart and Perth as required. Additional sittings of the Full Court may also be held on other days as required, for example in matters requiring expedition. These sittings are to be appointed by the Chief Justice pursuant to Rule 6.04.2.

As in previous years, no consultation was necessary in relation to the appointment of the High Court sitting dates for 2017. The Rule does not substantially alter long-standing arrangements.