



QUEENSLAND

Land and Resources Tribunal

PRACTICE DIRECTION No. 3 of 2003

Pre-hearing settlement conferences

1. This Practice Direction applies to all contested matters seeking hearing dates in the Tribunal, other than applications in a proceeding or appeals. Its objectives are:
 - (a) to achieve a more efficient allocation of hearing dates and use of Tribunal time; and
 - (b) to ensure that only those matters expected to proceed to a full hearing are allocated hearing dates.
2. Unless the Tribunal otherwise orders in special circumstances, a contested matter will not be allocated a hearing date unless:
 - (a) that matter has been the subject of a pre-hearing settlement conference before a Member of the Tribunal or the Registrar; and
 - (b) the Member or Registrar certifies in writing that the conference was unable to resolve the matter.
3. All parties must act reasonably and genuinely during the conference and endeavour to settle all outstanding issues.
4. If a Member presides over a pre-hearing settlement conference, that Member will not preside over or otherwise participate in the hearing of the matter.
5. Arrangements to convene a pre-hearing settlement conference may be made by the parties contacting the Registrar on (07) 3406 7777 or Freecall 1800 300 014.

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President
30 April 2003