



BAR ASSOCIATION
OF QUEENSLAND

**PUBLIC COMMENT BY THE
BAR ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND
ON RECENT MAGISTRATES COURT PRACTICE DIRECTION**

President of the Bar Association of Queensland, Mr Roger Traves QC, said in relation to a recent Magistrates Court Practice Direction:

“The Bar Association of Queensland does not support a practice by which applications brought by particular classes of citizens are brought before a particular judicial officer.

“If that be the practical effect of the Practice Direction, then the Bar Association respectfully urges the Chief Magistrate to reconsider it.

“The principles of fairness and equality before the law are best served by the Court as a whole dealing with these applications, not a designated judicial officer.”

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