



 JusticeNet^{SA}

Annual Report 2011-12

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President's Report

The past financial year has been another busy and successful year for JusticeNet.

The organisation continues to receive a steady flow of requests for assistance from a variety of sources. It is very pleasing to see that almost all of the requests for assistance that meet our eligibility criteria are able to be met through the generosity of our members. Interestingly we have noticed a significant stream of inquiries from clients who have contacted JusticeNet as their first port of call. JusticeNet has increasingly been meeting a need for appropriate, "warm" referrals into existing legal service providers and working co-operatively with other agencies in the legal assistance sector to ensure that clients receive the best services available.

Our membership base has remained strong despite the more difficult conditions in which both private and government solicitors have been operating over the last couple of years. The ongoing support of JusticeNet in times of reduced profitability in the legal sector demonstrates the dedicated commitment of South Australian lawyers to access to justice. It also shows that pro bono work has become a core component of the work of many South Australian practitioners. This trend has been reflected nationally in the National Pro Bono Resource Centre's National Law Firm Pro Bono Survey, which noted that more firms have introduced organised pro bono practices and that there has been a 44 per cent increase in signatories to the Centre's aspirational target (of 35 hours of pro bono work per lawyer per year) in the last year. It is a credit to the legal profession that its commitment to pro bono work has remained steadfast despite difficult conditions.

Fundraising conditions have also been challenging for JusticeNet over the last year, which has forced the organisation to think laterally to raise resources. The recruitment of Tessa Colliver, as Business Development Manager on a fixed-term contract, led to the development of a formal fundraising plan on which efforts could be concentrated. Membership fees have been supplemented by individual fundraising efforts through grants applications, the introduction of the Friends of JusticeNet donation programme, the second Donor Dinner hosted by Robyn Layton QC, and the introduction of our CPD programme. The success of the CPD programmes to date has been particularly pleasing, with practitioners showing good support for the high-calibre speakers who have presented sessions on a pro bono basis. Funding support from government remains the ultimate goal towards which we continue to work. We remain committed to persuading government of the high return on its investment which can be gained through funding JusticeNet to unlock and support the pro bono capacity of the South Australian legal profession.

The year ahead is likely to see JusticeNet managing an increasing volume of requests for assistance in the area of refugee and migration law. In June 2012 JusticeNet received grants from the Sidney Myer Fund and the Sisters of Charity Foundation to fund our Refugee and Asylum Seeker Project, through which specialist referrals of migration assistance are beginning to be made. JusticeNet has also negotiated a Memorandum of Understanding with the Refugee Advocacy Service of South Australia, which provides for JusticeNet to take the lead role in co-ordinating pro bono assistance for refugees and asylum seekers, while drawing on RASSA's considerable expertise and relevant networks.

JusticeNet continues to prosper from its close connections with and support from key players in the access to justice sector: the Legal Services Commission, the private profession, the bar, the Law Society, the Bar Association, the South Australian Council of Community Legal Services, the Law Foundation, and the South Australian Legal Assistance Forum to name a few. I have always believed that the strength of these relationships to be the keystone in JusticeNet's success.

Naturally, our work could not be done without the support of the many volunteers who donate their time to running pro bono files and volunteering in the office. The University of Adelaide continues to support the organisation by hosting our office in the Ligertwood Building and in the past year has generously made additional space available to meet JusticeNet's expanding needs. I extend my sincere thanks to them all. Finally, I would like to thank Tim Graham, Louise Young and Anthony Kuppe for their ongoing dedication to the organisation and to my fellow members of the management committee who continue to support and inspire me at each meeting.

Paula Stirling
President

Executive Director's Report

I am pleased to report on the activities and achievements of JusticeNet SA during the past year.

JusticeNet is South Australia's primary clearinghouse for pro bono legal assistance. Over the past year our law firms and barristers have continued to make an important contribution to community wellbeing by assisting individuals and

charitable organisations pro bono. JusticeNet's role is to ensure that their pro bono contributions are directed to those most in need, in an efficient and coordinated manner. This past year - our third full year since the organisation's launch in mid-2009 – there was a small increase in pro bono referrals accepted by our members and supporters. The consistent level of referrals demonstrates the resilience of our pro bono networks.

In 2011/12 JusticeNet received 563 enquiries for legal assistance. Increased community and stakeholder awareness has resulted in significant yearly increases in the number of enquiries since our launch in mid-2009. JusticeNet made 65 referrals for pro bono legal assistance, up from 63 in 2010/11.

Clients are referred to solicitors or barristers (and sometimes both) depending on the nature of their legal matter and the type of assistance required. While most solicitor referrals are made to law firms that are members of JusticeNet, referrals are also made to other firms. Some areas of legal practice, such as migration law, wills and estates, and family law are relatively under-represented across our corporate membership. Our relationship with non-member pro bono providers helps us plug some of those gaps.

Referrals to counsel are made via the 'JusticeNet Bar Panel'. The South Australian Bar Association and JusticeNet established the JusticeNet Bar Panel in 2009. Most members of the South Australian Bar Association are members of the JusticeNet Bar Panel and have agreed to consider referrals from JusticeNet.

Within the constraints of our limited resources, JusticeNet strives to make referrals to appropriate dispute resolution or

legal information services. 306 enquiries were referred to other legal service providers during the past year. In those cases we determined that another service was better placed to assist the applicant, or the applicant was otherwise ineligible for pro bono legal assistance.

The achievements of the referral scheme are summarised in the tables and charts below.

I think it is fair to say that JusticeNet is now an integral part of the legal services landscape in South Australia. We have good relationships with the public and private legal profession. JusticeNet is a member of the South Australian Council of Community Legal Services, a member of the South Australian Legal Assistance Forum, and the organisation has a representative on the Law Society's Justice Access Committee. JusticeNet is also a founding member of Pro Bono Access Australia, a national network of pro bono legal clearinghouses. Through these forums and associations JusticeNet promotes the important contribution made by our pro bono providers and develops our relationships with other legal service providers.

Over the past year our organisation has achieved three key outcomes:

- **The development and expansion of our pro bono legal referral service.** Our members and supporters are accepting more referrals than ever. In December 2011 JusticeNet reached a milestone of \$1M worth of pro bono legal help provided to clients referred by JusticeNet.
- **Refugee and Asylum Seeker Project (RASP).** Commenced in mid-2012, the aim of RASP is to provide pro bono legal assistance for asylum seekers, most

often when seeking judicial review of decisions concerning their application for a protection visa. Because of the special needs of asylum seekers, and the cultural, linguistic, financial and other barriers to justice that they face, these matters require specialised referrals. We have been greatly assisted in this work by our collaboration with the Refugee and Advocacy Service of South Australia. Our work has been made possible by funding from the Sidney Myer Fund and the Sisters of Charity Foundation. RASP is in its early stages of development but we are anticipating big things in 2013.

- **Further improvement of our financial position.** Like any fledgling 'start-up' organisation, cash flow and fundraising is a principal, if not overriding, concern. Last year I reported that, "*significant strides had been made to realise our financial security despite significant challenges.*" It is heartening to report that the improvement continues, despite the absence of recurrent government funding. With the assistance of Tessa Colliver, our Business Development Manager, we implemented a strategic fundraising plan that has helped us to improve our financial position on last year.

Looking ahead, we are optimistic that JusticeNet will continue to grow and develop new projects to complement our referral service:

- We will continue to develop our Refugee and Asylum Seeker Project. We will be exploring ideas with key stakeholders about how to coordinate our pro bono resources for best effect.
- JusticeNet was established to provide legal assistance and advice to charitable

not-for-profit organisations as well as individuals. Modern not-for-profits operate in a complex legal and regulatory environment, with often limited discretionary resources to fund unanticipated legal costs. As part of our commitment to assist the sector, we are planning a series of Community Sector Seminars in 2013. Our seminars will assist community organisations and not-for profits to be better run so they can achieve their humanitarian missions and the public can have greater confidence in them.

- We are also pursuing funding opportunities to pilot a 'Self-Representation Service'. We have joined forces with Flinders University to develop a hybrid model of legal service and student legal clinic. I am hopeful that we will be in a position to launch a pilot of the project in 2013 South Australia.

Overall it has been another challenging and rewarding year. The absence of public funding is certainly the most significant challenge for our service, and one that is a regrettable distraction from core service delivery. Nonetheless, with the continuing goodwill of the profession we are making progress.

Over the past year our office has hummed with an increasing number of enthusiastic volunteers. I extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to all of the volunteers and seconded lawyers who have offered their time and energy to help with our referral service. I also offer my particular thanks to Louise Young (Administration Assistant), Anthony Kuppe (Referral Coordinator) and Tessa Colliver (Business Development Manager) who have been unfailing in their diligence and commitment to JusticeNet.

Tim Graham
Executive Director

Table 1: Referral service overview

	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
Enquiries	26	389	470	563
Applications received	2	144	136	175
Solicitor referrals	2	30	37	38
Counsel referrals	1	18	26	27
Pro Bono Referrals	3	48	63	65
Other referrals	Unknown	Unknown	375	306

Table 2: Estimated value of pro bono referrals

	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12
Solicitors	n/a	\$337,500	\$346,621
Barristers	n/a	\$152,131	\$157,982
Total	~\$300,000	\$489,631	\$504,603
Average	~\$8,000	\$5,829	\$5,830

Figure 1: Areas of Law 2011-12

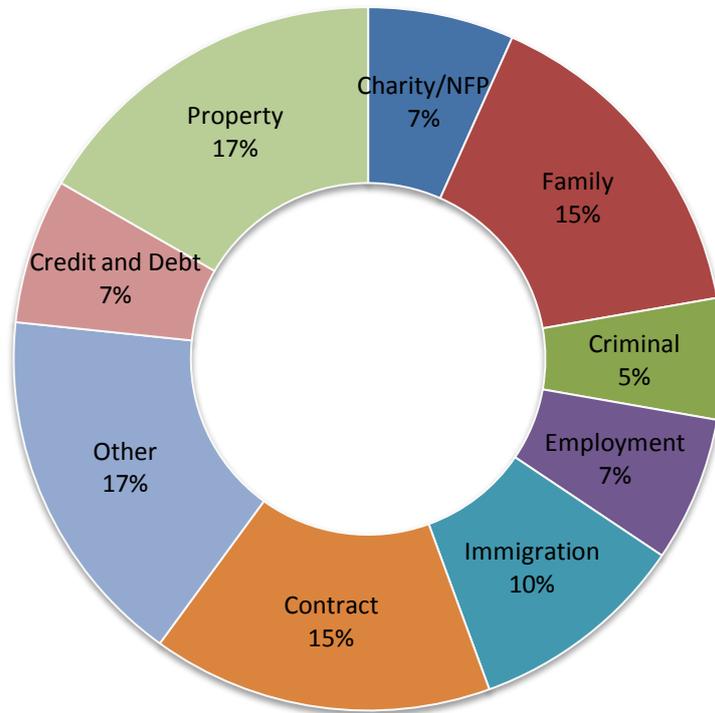
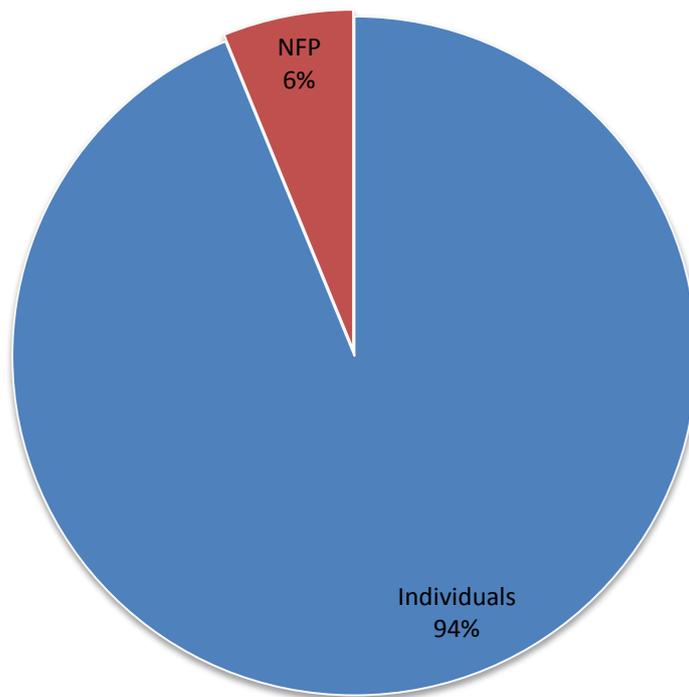


Figure 2: Client Type 2011-12



Case Studies

JusticeNet experiences firsthand the impact of our costly and inaccessible civil justice system. The majority of our clients are in receipt of Centrelink payments. Many are at risk of homelessness or are experiencing poverty or disability. Others are better-off financially, but lack the resources required to solve legal problems that may be brought about by family breakdown, illness, loss of employment or other event.

Here are some examples of referrals finalised in the past year.

Robert* applied for assistance from JusticeNet when judgment was entered against him in bankruptcy proceedings. Robert had obtained a bank loan to fund a small business which was ultimately not viable. The remaining debt was sold to a third party. Robert attempted to pay back the money owed, but subsequently discovered the substantial late and administrative fees that were accruing. The third party issued proceedings against him in WA, despite his residence in Adelaide. As the single unemployed father of two daughters, he was unable to fund a lawyer privately. Gilchrist Connell generously offered its national resources to overcome these challenges. With this assistance, Robert successfully had the judgment set aside and was able to avoid bankruptcy and the repossession of his family home.

Mary* Mary approached JusticeNet in 2009 because she was facing a Supreme Court action and could not afford legal representation. A family member of her estranged husband was claiming that the

former matrimonial home was in fact held on trust for the family member. At short notice, DMAW Lawyers and Gillian Walker of counsel assisted Mary to successfully defend a summary judgment application brought by the family member. The dispute was ultimately settled shortly prior to trial following mediation between the parties assisted by Mr Philip McNamara QC. DMAW Lawyers, Neville Rochow SC and Gillian Walker acted for Mary throughout the course of the dispute. Assistance was also supplied by Mark Pickhaver on a family law aspect, Rick Manuel and Aleecia Murray (AM Legal). JusticeNet would like to extend its particular

thanks to Mary's legal representatives in this long running and complex matter.

"I am moved by the public charity, and support for the disadvantaged JusticeNet provides. I hope the organisation will receive more support and become more successful in its work in providing legal help."

Mary, a JusticeNet client

Andrew* sought pro bono assistance from JusticeNet concerning a dispute with his previous employer and a claim for unpaid wages. Andrew filed a claim at the Magistrate's Court and with the assistance of Lamont Black Lawyers,

he was able to negotiate the matter out of court and agree on a favourable settlement.

Joan* sought assistance from JusticeNet concerning a dispute with her previous employer. Joan had a long standing agreement with her employer that she would not be rostered to work on Sundays due to her religious beliefs. In 2010, new management at her employer insisted that Joan be available to work on Sundays. Joan tried, without success, to negotiate mutually agreeable alternative arrangements with her employer. Fox Tucker Lawyers generously offered to assist Joan on a pro bono basis. With the assistance of Fox Tucker Lawyers, Joan was able to successfully resolve a

complaint to the Australian Human Rights Commission through a conciliation process.

Retired pensioners **Antonio*** and **Michela*** mistakenly accepted an unsolicited offer to sell shares for substantially less than the market value. They faced a loss of \$8000 worth of units in a managed fund. The elderly couple spoke little English and had misunderstood the nature of the document, believing it to be a withdrawal form from their fund manager. JusticeNet referred them to Johnston & Withers who represented them in court and helped them to negotiate and end to legal proceedings without incurring further debt.

Anna* approached JusticeNet when her former husband applied for custody of their ten year old son. Anna had reached her legal aid funding cap. In support of an application for parenting orders, the father made a number of serious allegations against Anna, but with little evidence to substantiate the claims. Anna was parenting their son, while her former husband spent time with him on a limited basis. Mark Pickhaver of counsel accepted a referral from JusticeNet to represent Anna, while the Southern Community Justice Centre was instructing solicitor. Anna's lawyers ensured that Anna was able to continue living with her son.

*Names have been changed to protect privacy.

Lawyers open their hearts

A DELAIDE lawyers have shown their compassionate side, donating \$1 million in free legal services to disadvantaged South Australians.

The \$1 million initiative was reached through JusticeNet, SA's "clearing house" for pro bono legal help.

Launched in 2009, JusticeNet matches low-income and disadvantaged clients with member lawyers, who provide free legal advice and representation. In SA, JusticeNet has 20 member firms, with more than 500 lawyers available to provide free help to those who need it and cannot find

aid elsewhere. More than 95 per cent of Adelaide barristers participate in its pro bono referral service.

JusticeNet executive director Tim Graham said this showed an exceptional commitment to helping those who were less well off.

"Legal professions can rain the lives of

those who cannot afford a lawyer," Mr Graham said. "Publicly funded legal aid is largely unavailable for civil disputes. Yet it is acknowledged that legal problems tend to impact more acutely on those experiencing socioeconomic disadvantage and can instigate and reinforce poverty, homelessness and social exclusion."

The legal profession has a proud history of performing pro bono work. Lawyers increasingly regard it as a professional obligation, while also reaping the personal rewards.

Commercial law firm Kelly & Co is among JusticeNet's member organi-

isations. Its chief executive Stuart Price said pro bono work was extremely popular with its employees.

"Not only does it allow us to provide real benefit to those in need within the broader community, but it also delivers a high level of personal satisfaction to our lawyers taking part," he said.

"JusticeNet provides a fantastic service to all participating legal firms across the state and we congratulate them on achieving this outstanding milestone."

Mr Graham also stressed JusticeNet was not a substitute for legal aid.

"We do not replicate services pro-

vided by legal aid and other excellent services such as community legal centres," he said. "But without JusticeNet, there are people with civil law issues who would have nowhere to go for assistance. We provide a safety net - JusticeNet helps when no one else can."

"This would not be possible without the commitment of our member firms, solicitors and barristers."

JusticeNet is mainly funded by membership fees and community support. It receives no state or federal government funding.

For more information, go to www.justicenet.org.au



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The Advertiser, 6 Dec 2011

Walk for Justice 2012

The 5th Walk for Justice was held on Tuesday 15 May. The Walk was a big success and raised just over \$20,000 for JusticeNet. A huge thank you to all participants, sponsors and supporters for making this year's event our most successful ever!

Around 300 walkers joined the Hon. John Doyle AC and SA Australian of the Year, the Hon. Robyn Layton AO QC, and other lead walkers, to celebrate the pro bono contribution made by the legal profession to addressing legal need in South Australia. This year we were blessed with our biggest contingent of lead walkers, including:

- The Hon. John Doyle AC, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
- The Hon. Robyn Layton QC, SA Australian of the Year 2012
- Senator Penny Wright, National Spokesperson for Legal Affairs, Australian Greens
- The Hon. Stephen Wade MLC, Shadow Attorney General,
- Ralph Böning, President of the Law Society of South Australia
- Mark Livesey QC, President of the SA Bar Association
- Elizabeth Bolton, Chief Magistrate of the Magistrates' Court
- Professor John Williams, Dean of the University of Adelaide Law School
- Professor David Bamford, Dean of the Flinders University Law School
- Hamish Gilmore, Director of the Legal Services Commission
- Sean Fewster, Chief Court Reporter, The Advertiser

After the Walk everyone enjoyed a coffee and muffin at the Hilton, courtesy of the Law Society and the Hilton Adelaide. Robyn Layton gave a rousing speech, urging those present to becoming a member or Friend of JusticeNet to ensure the long term future of this vital service. Congratulations to this year's top fundraisers on a fantastic effort:

- Team - Fisher Jeffries
- Individual - Cristal Opacic
- Student - Rachel Rodda



JusticeNet People

Management Committee

- Melissa Ballantyne
Solicitor, Environmental Defenders Office
- Kerry Clark (Deputy President)
Barrister, Murray Chambers
- Gabrielle Canny (Secretary)
Director, Legal Services Commission
- Nick Linke (Treasurer)
Partner, Fisher Jeffries
- Alan Merritt
Solicitor, Central Community Legal Service
- Carolyn Mitchell
Consultant, Cowell Clarke
- Paula Stirling (President)
Solicitor, Crown Solicitors Office
- Jonathan Wells QC
Barrister, Hanson Chambers

Staff

- Tim Graham, Executive Director
- Louise Young, Administration Assistant
- Anthony Kuppe, Referral Coordinator
- Tessa Colliver, Business Development Manager

JusticeNet Volunteers

Our volunteers are essential to the administration of JusticeNet's referral service. The following volunteers worked at JusticeNet in 11/12:

- Leila Allison
- Lucas Arnold
- Eleanor Backhouse
- Jonathan Bray
- Alice Church
- Robert Crisci
- Colin Dorrian

- Sarah Graham
- Sam Graham
- Sophie Heithersay
- Lauren Hilliker
- Cassandra Hodzic
- Amelia Ip
- Louise Jennings
- Abigail Khoo
- Baldwin Lam
- Christopher Loxton
- Tomas Macura
- Anna Pagliaro
- Issa Peera
- Jacob Redden
- Nicole Ricketts
- Mitch Simmons
- Jaime-Lee Tertipis
- Melanie Womersley

JusticeNet Secondees

JusticeNet has benefited from the skills and experience brought to the organisation by Australian Government Solicitor lawyers seconded to JusticeNet one day per week throughout 11/12. We offer our gratitude to the Australian Government Solicitor, and the following lawyers who worked at JusticeNet over the past year:

- Claire Deegan
- Michael La Vista
- Andrew Schatz

JusticeNet Members

JusticeNet gratefully acknowledges the ongoing support of our corporate and individual members. Our members in 2011/12 were:

Law Firms

am legal
Ashurst Australia
Campbell Law
Cowell Clarke
DMAW Lawyers
Donaldson Walsh
Fisher Jeffries
Fox Tucker Lawyers
Gilchrist Connell
Griffins Lawyers
Hunt & Hunt
Johnston Withers
Kain C+C
Kelly & Co
Lipman Karas
Mellor Olsson
Piper Alderman
Sparke Helmore
Wallmans Lawyers

Chambers

Hanson Chambers

Law Schools

University of Adelaide Law School
University of South Australia Law School

Other Corporate Members

Adelaide Law School
UniSA Law School
Public Trustee
Southern Community Justice Centre
SANTOS
Central Community Legal Services
Aged Rights Advocacy Service
Riverland Community Legal Service
South East Community Legal Service
Environmental Defenders Office

Individuals

Martin Anders
Lucas Arnold
Melissa Ballantyne
The Hon Justice Barry Beazley
The Hon David Bleby QC
Christopher Brohier
Peter Cannell
Gabrielle Canny
Kerry Clark
David Crocker
Aussie De Silva
Samuel Doyle
Phillip Foreman
Tim Graham
Gregory Holland
Manjit Kaur
Margaret Kelly
Stephen Kenny
Kerry Kovacs
Anthony Kuppe
Robert Lawton
The Hon Robyn Layton QC
Nicholas Linke
Domenic Lipari
Mark Livesey QC
The Hon Judge Lunn
Arlene Macdonald
Michael Margarey
Philip McNamara QC
Alan Merritt
Michael Mills
Carolyn Mitchell
Neville Morcombe QC
Geoffrey Muecke
Margaret Nyland
Claire O'Connor
Harry Patsouris
Mark Pickhaver
Ian Robertson SC
Emily Rutherford
Rick Sarre
John Shortt-Smith
George Stathopoulos
Paula Stirling
Edward Stratton-Smith
Kym Teh
Gillian Walker
Noëla Washyn
Jonathan Wells QC
Louise Young

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JusticeNet extends a special thank you to the following organisations and individuals for their support in the past year:

- The Australian Government Solicitor
- Community Benefit SA
- The South Australian Bar Association
- IMF Australia Ltd
- The Law Society of South Australia
- The University of Adelaide
- Flinders University
- The Legal Services Commission
- Comunet, the Principal Technology Partner for JusticeNet
- PILCH, QPILCH and PILCH NSW
- National Pro Bono Resource Centre
- All of the participants in the 2012 Walk for Justice, and in particular, lead walkers Chief Justice John Doyle AC, the Hon Robyn Layton QC, Senator Penny Wright, Shadow Attorney-General Stephen Wade MLC, Law Society President Ralph Bönig, Australian Bar Association President Mark Livesey QC, Chief Magistrate Elizabeth Bolton, Adelaide Law School Dean Professor John Williams, Flinders Law School Dean Professor David Bamford, Legal Services Commission Director Hamish Gilmore and The Advertiser Chief Court Reporter Mr Sean Fewster.
- Our major sponsors and prize donors for the 2012 Walk for Justice: Ferrier Hodgson, the Law Society, Phil Hoffman Travel, Bendigo Bank, Hilton Adelaide, Funk Coffee and Comunet Pty Ltd
- Edwards Marshall
- Sidney Myer Fund
- Sisters of Charity Foundation
- Robyn Layton QC AO
- South Australian Council of Social Service
- Volunteering SA & NT
- SA Law Week Committee

Audited Financial Report



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JUSTICENET SA INCORPORATED

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF JUSTICENET SA INCORPORATED

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of JusticeNet SA Incorporated ('the Association'), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2012, and the income and expenditure statement for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory information, and the declaration by the management committee.

Board Members' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The management committee of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, are appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985* and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The management committee members' responsibility also includes such internal control as the management committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the management committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

This firm is a company approved under Professional Standards Legislation
Edwards Marshall is an independent member of Nexia International
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JUSTICENET SA INCORPORATED

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF JUSTICENET SA INCORPORATED (CONT)**

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of JusticeNet SA Incorporated as at 30 June 2012, and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies in Note 1 to the financial report and the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*.

We have obtained all of the information and explanations required from the Association.

Basis of Accounting

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist JusticeNet SA Incorporated for the purpose of fulfilling the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for any other purpose.

Edwards Marshall
Chartered Accountants

Noel Clifford
Partner

Adelaide
South Australia

Dated
20 October 2012

JusticeNet SA Incorporated ABN 31 135 823 513

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

	Note	Year ended 30 June 2012	Year Ended 30 June 2011
		\$	\$
REVENUE			
Revenue from fundraising		30,634	16,910
Membership fees		36,106	25,305
Donations		50,030	33,558
Grants		42,666	5,434
Other income		1,791	39
Total revenue		<u>161,227</u>	<u>81,246</u>
EXPENSES			
Employee benefit expense		130,037	104,309
Insurance		188	105
Marketing		49	1,484
Other expenses from ordinary activities		11,656	21,633
Total expenses		<u>141,930</u>	<u>127,531</u>
Net Profit/ (Loss) from Operating Activities		<u>\$19,297</u>	<u>\$(46,285)</u>
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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2012

	Note	2012	2011
		\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	2	50,174	61,712
Trade and other receivables		1,187	330
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		51,361	62,042
TOTAL ASSETS		51,361	62,042
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables		500	2,130
Other accruals	3	12,280	40,628
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		12,780	42,758
TOTAL LIABILITIES		12,780	42,628
NET ASSETS		38,581	\$19,284
EQUITY			
Retained earnings	4	38,581	19,284
TOTAL EQUITY		38,581	\$19,284

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The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1985. The Management Committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

The following significant accounting policies, which are consistent with the previous period unless otherwise stated, have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

a. Income Tax

The association has received endorsement from the Australian Taxation Office as an income tax exempt charitable entity under subdivision 50-B of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

b. Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, the entity reviews the carrying value of tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the high of the assets fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is recognised in the income and expenditure statement.

c. Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits expected to settle within one year have been measured at the amounts to be settled plus relate on costs. Long service leave is provided for in respect of employees employed by the Association. Long Service Leave entitlements are recognised when an employee reaches 5 years of service and a provision is made for this cost. Contributions are made by the Association to employee's nominated superannuation funds and are charged as expenses when incurred.

d. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

e. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, petty cash and undeposited funds.

f. Revenue and Other Income

Revenue is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity and the revenue can be reliably measured. Grant income is recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds. Donation income is recognised when received.

g. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

JusticeNet is not registered nor is required to be registered for GST purposes. As such, revenues, expenses and assets are recognised inclusive of GST. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

h. Events after reporting period

No event has occurred since 30 June 2012 that will affect the information disclosed in these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

i. Comparatives

Unless otherwise indicated, accounting policies have remained consistent with prior periods. In the instance of accounting policy changes, the financial impact of the change on the current period has been disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

k. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgements

Members of the Management Committee evaluate estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial report based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data obtained both externally and within the Association.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2012

NOTE 2: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	Year ended 30 June 2012	Year ended 30 June 2011
	\$	\$
Cash at Bank	48,773	61,660
Petty cash	1	52
Undeposited funds	1,400	-
	<u>50,174</u>	<u>61,712</u>

NOTE 3: OTHER ACCRUALS

	Year ended 30 June 2012	Year ended 30 June 2011
	\$	\$
Payroll Liabilities	8,344	6,306
Employee entitlements – Annual Leave	3,936	1,656
Grants received in advance	-	32,666
	<u>12,280</u>	<u>40,628</u>

NOTE 4: RETAINED EARNINGS

	\$
Retained earnings at 1 July 2010	65,569
Net loss attributable to members of the Association	<u>(46,285)</u>
Retained Earnings as at 30 June 2011	19,284
Retained Earnings as at 1 July 2011	19,284
Net profit attributable to members of the Association	<u>19,297</u>
Retained earnings at 30 June 2012	<u>38,581</u>

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DECLARATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The members of the Management Committee have determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Management Committee the financial report as set out on pages 2 to 6:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of JusticeNet SA Incorporated as at 30 June 2012 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that JusticeNet SA Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

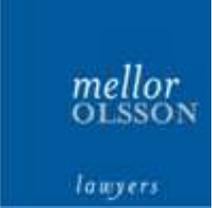
This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Management Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:

President 

Paula Stirling

Dated this *20th* day of *October* 2012

Corporate Members

		
		
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