Appeals from Courts of Petty Sessions

Terms of Reference

In 1973 the Commission was asked to consider and report on the procedure for appeals from decisions of Courts of Petty Sessions, with a view to such appeals being simplified, and amongst other things, rendered less costly.

Background of Reference

Before any substantive work began on this reference, the Commission received a general reference to review the Justices Act 1902 (WA), which regulates the procedure of the Courts of Petty Sessions. Because the latter reference demanded a comprehensive review of the Courts of Petty Sessions, including the appeals process, a decision was taken to merge the two references. Project No 48 therefore became Project No 55(I).1

---