

Policy on the Publication of Architects Tribunal Determinations

Purpose:

To set out the practices and considerations which apply to the publication of reasons for decisions made by the Tribunal under the Architects Act.

As well as making its reasons for decision available to the parties, the Tribunal also publishes its reasons for decision. This is done for numerous reasons including:

- (a) to educate and provide guidance to the public and the architects profession in relation to principles, procedures and practices applicable to matters within the Tribunal's jurisdiction
- (b) to ensure that the Tribunal is accountable and has processes that are open and transparent
- (c) to promote public confidence in tribunal decision-making.

Procedures:

Reports from the Tribunal are published on the website www.arbv.vic.gov.au

The Reports comprise the Notice of Inquiry containing the allegations the Tribunal was set up to inquire into, and the Findings and Determinations issued by the Tribunal at the conclusion of its inquiry. These are unified into a single PDF document with the File Number of the Inquiry.

If an architect has been the subject of an Architects Tribunal inquiry, this information will appear in the search result for his or her name after conducting a Search under the Search the Register tab on the website. The File Number of the Inquiry will appear in the search result, and the relevant Report can be found under the same File Number. This information will appear on the website for a period of five years following the date of the publication of the findings.

The documents are redacted where necessary to remove information which may identify the the Complainants and any third parties. Redactions are indicated by square brackets, thus: [. . .].