



Conciliation Register

Racial Discrimination Act 1975

For complaints conciliated and finalised in the period of 1-Jul-2002 to 30-Sep-2002

Ground	Race - direct
Area	Goods / services & facilities
Terms of Settlement	Apology - private
Compensation	
Complaint Summary	Complainant is Torres Strait islander and has mobility disabilities and uses a wheelchair. Complainant claims the respondent supermarket manager always "stalks" him when he is shopping and he is subject to excessive bag searching. Complainant claims he has never seen a 'white' person have their bag searched. Complainant claims race and disability discrimination.
Ground	Race - direct
Area	Employment
Terms of Settlement	Apology - private Financial compensation
Compensation	\$3,000
Complaint Summary	Complainant was employed as a counsellor/support worker with respondent agency. Complainant claims her supervisor challenged her and would not allow her attend a course. Complainant appears to claim she was treated less favourably because she is Aboriginal.

Ground	Race - direct Racial hatred
Area	Employment
Terms of Settlement	Financial compensation
Compensation	\$8,500
Complaint Summary	Complainant commenced employment with respondent Commonwealth organisation in 1998 and resigned 2 1/2 years later. Complainant claims he was subjected to racially derogatory remarks about Aborigines such as "they should never have stopped in Tasmania" and Cathy Freeman is "nothing but a black bitch". Complainant is Aboriginal. Complainant says he complained to supervisor but comments continued. Complainant claims he assaulted the respondent over his comments. An internal investigation was conducted and respondent was dismissed and complainant was counselled. Complainant resigned after because he felt ostracised.
Ground	Race - direct
Area	Provision of goods & services
Terms of Settlement	Apology - private
Compensation	
Complaint Summary	Complainant who is of South Sea Islander and Aboriginal background claims that while travelling in a taxi cab the cab driver asked her where she was from. Complainant claims driver said to her "I don't like those Islanders from Vanuatu and those Abos aren't much better". Complainant claims she was offended by his comments because of her race. Complainant wrote to cab company and seeks on apology.
Ground	Race - direct
Area	Employment
Terms of Settlement	Financial compensation
Compensation	\$200
Complaint Summary	Complainant was employed at respondent supermarket for around four months. Complainant noticed her till was down \$50. Complainant reported this to the manager who immediately accused her of stealing. Complainant explained she had only worked on the till for a short period that day. Complainant claims she was accused because of her Aboriginality as a non-Aboriginal employee had let a customer walk out with \$90 worth of groceries without paying and respondent owner just told her to get in contact with customer.