Media protocol

Purpose

1. This document sets out the media protocol to be applied by all AIJA Council and other members and employees.

Media profile

2. Media comment is generally provided by the AIJA only on its research and education projects. The AIJA does not comment on political issues or act as an advocate for the rights or entitlements of judicial officers. All media comments must reflect the objectives and role of the AIJA.

Media statements

3. Only the President or Chief Executive shall make media statements on behalf of the AIJA. Wherever practical there should be consultation involving two or more members of the Board of Management to determine the appropriate response.

4. The President or Chief Executive may authorise another person to speak to the media on the AIJA's behalf in a particular instance.

Researchers

5. Persons engaged as researchers on AIJA research, education or special projects shall not make statements to the media about the AIJA activity in which they are engaged without consultation with, and specific authorisation by, the President or the Chief Executive. Persons engaged as researchers on AIJA research, education or special projects are to be informed by the AIJA of the terms of this protocol.

Provision of factual information

6. The provision of factual information about the AIJA to the media by Secretariat officers is permitted.

Effective date

7. This protocol is effective from 1 December 2005 and was reviewed by the Board on 7 June 2025.

Relevant documents

- AIJA Constitution