

Are you a JP or C.Dec?

Join your professional association today!

Branches & Contact Groups

QJA has a growing number of branches and contact groups throughout Queensland.

Branches and contact groups facilitate a number of activities, including regular meetings, organising signing facilities and professional development workshops.

See our website or the back of our Journal for the branch or contact group near you.

Can't find one? Let us know if you are interested in being involved in a QJA branch or contact group and we can assist with chartering a branch in your area.

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Queensland Justices Association is the peak industry body of Justices of the Peace and Commissioners for Declarations in Queensland. Founded in 1918, it has a long history of providing professional development and support to its members.

Did you know?

Justices of the Peace are a British tradition that began in the 14th Century to uphold the King's peace. When Queensland separated from New South Wales in 1859, this also coincided with the very first Justices of the Peace for and in the State of Queensland. Today, JPs and C.Decs are still highly respected members of the community, but come from all walks of life. QJA is committed to preserving this long-standing, traditional office, but promoting a diverse and active JP and C.Dec community that is well-equipped to take on the ever-evolving responsibilities of the Office in the 21st Century!

As a Justice of the Peace or Commissioner for Declarations in Queensland, there are 7 good reasons to join a professional peak body.

1. The QJA Journal

The *QJA Journal* each quarter has been keeping Queensland's JPs and C.Decs up-to-date with the latest legislative changes in JP practice periodically since 1936. New legislation and accompanying procedures to witness new documents is changing all the time.

2. Regular Professional Development

QJA holds professional development workshops, conferences and networking events all over Queensland and provides members with discounts. Come and meet like-minded fellow JPs and C.Decs and listen to our distinguished guest speakers on a range of topics relevant for JPs and C.Decs. Keep updated and refreshed on all the latest developments affecting you.

3. Members Only section of our website

Professional development resources, such as videos, Guide to JP Practice updates and back issues of The QJA Journal are available in the Members Only section of our website. QJA is committed to delivering more professional development online and hopes to offer more to members through this medium and via email. Join today to gain exclusive access!

4. Insurance

QJA's members are covered under our professional indemnity and public liability insurance for their duties relating to JP work.

5. Exclusive merchandise

Feel part of a prestigious, supportive team with a range of QJA branded merchandise, including shirts, ties and caps and even handbag hooks! If you just need practical help, we accommodate that too, with a range of exclusive stamps and log books. Contact us or see our website for a complete guide to our stamps. We also sell our self-published *Guide to JP Practice in Queensland*. You can order these from our website under QJA Shop or the with the order form enclosed with your Journal.

6. Partnerships

Hall Payne Lawyers are the QJA's honorary Lawyers and are available to assist our Members with free wills, as well as a free initial consultation on any legal matter. Going on a trip? We have an exclusive discount with Hertz. Need a better deal on your home loan? Our relationship with Heritage Bank offers competitive rates on home and personal loans.

7. Volunteering

Do you have spare time and feel like giving something back to the community? QJA's branches and contact groups are always looking for volunteers who can spare a few hours on a regular basis at public signing facilities. Your local branch would love to hear from you if we can assist with connecting you to your local community by volunteering as a JP.