


# AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION TRIBUNAL

## PRACTICE DIRECTION No 7

### Verification of facts and contentions in application for authorisation

1. Application Forms S to W contained in the Trade Practices Regulations 1974 require the provision of numerous facts and contentions. The Tribunal expects that these facts and contentions will be verified by way of signed statements from persons able and qualified to verify each relevant fact or contention.
2. For example, paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Form S might be verified by the company secretary of the applicant or by its CEO. Paragraphs 5, 10, 13 and 14 might be verified by a qualified consulting or academic economist.
3. Paragraph 2 sets out examples of the types of verification expected by the Tribunal and is not to be taken as being exhaustive or exclusive. The Tribunal anticipates that there will probably be numerous statements from both employees of the applicant and external consultants which will verify the totality of the facts and contentions contained in any application and accompanying documentation.

  
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President

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