



2027 Associate Positions

Federal Court of Australia (Perth Registry)

The Hon Justice Craig Colvin invites applications for positions as his Associate and Research Associate at the Federal Court of Australia (Perth Registry), commencing on 18 January 2027. Each position is of around 12 months' duration.

The Federal Court of Australia entity is the administrative organisation that engages employees under the [Public Service Act 1999](#) and employees are covered by the [Federal Court of Australia Enterprise Agreement 2024–2027](#). Associates work as part of the Judge's personal chambers staff.

The Associate's duties include administrative and in-court support for Justice Colvin, communicating with solicitors, counsel and litigants, undertaking specific legal tasks and proofing judgments. The role includes supporting his Honour when working in interstate registries.

The Research Associate's role involves providing legal support and research for Justice Colvin. The Research Associate also proof reads draft judgments. The Research Associate performs some of the tasks undertaken by the Associate when they are unavailable.

If Justice Colvin is on leave for an extended period, associates may be asked to undertake work for other judges of the Court.

Prospective applicants should possess the following attributes:

- a law degree (completed as at January 2027);
- a high level of academic achievement;
- demonstrated organisation and administrative efficiency;
- outstanding research and analytical skills;
- excellent verbal, interpersonal and written communication skills; and
- editorial skills.

Applications are to take the form of a one-page cover letter, brief CV and university transcript.

Unless an applicant specifies otherwise, applicants will be considered for both positions and need only apply once.

Applications close at 5.00 pm (AWST) on Friday, 27 March 2026.

Applications for this position should be submitted via email to his Honour's Executive Assistant, Deanne Jaffé, at ea.colvinj@fedcourt.gov.au.

Enquiries may be directed to Deanne Jaffé at the above email address or (08) 6317 5409.