Pursuant to the Senate Order on departmental and agency contracts, the following table sets out contracts entered into by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal which provide for a consideration to the value of \$100 000 or more which have not been fully performed as at 31 December 2014 or which have been entered into during the 12 months prior to 31 December 2014.

Most of the Contracts listed contain confidentiality provisions of a general nature that are designed to protect the confidential information of the parties that may be obtained or generated in carrying out the contract. Most of the confidentiality clauses do not bind the Commonwealth from disclosing information, which it may be required to do for public accountability reasons, including a request for information by parliament or a parliamentary committee.

The reasons for including such clauses include:

- Ordinary commercial prudence that requires protection of trade secrets, proprietary information and the like; and/or
- Protection of other Commonwealth material and personal information.

Contractor	Subject matter of contract	Total contract value	Start date	End date	Maintain confidentiality of any provisions	Reason	Other requirements of confidentiality	Reason
Perpetual Trustee Company Ltd	Lease of Tribunal premises, Perth	\$8,204,955	01/01/06	31/12/15	No		No	
Investa Properties Ltd	Lease of Tribunal premises, Sydney	\$30,153,208	01/01/06	31/12/16	No		No	
Perpetual Trustee Company Ltd	Lease of Tribunal premises, Melbourne	\$25,229,852	01/01/06	31/12/20	No		No	
Chesser House Pty Ltd	Lease of Tribunal premises, Adelaide	\$10,591,964	01/08/06	31/07/21	No		No	
GS Corporate Services Pty Ltd	Internal Audit Services	\$135,600	01/10/12	30/09/15	No		No	
Staples Australia Pty Ltd (formerly Corporate Express)	Supply of Stationery and Office Supplies under Whole of Australian Government panel arrangement	\$200,000	01/10/12	01/10/15	No	4	No	
Merrill Corporation Australia Pty Ltd	Recording and transcription services	\$1,850,000	14/01/13	13/01/18	Yes	2, 4	No	

Contractor	Subject matter of contract	Total contract value	Start date	End date	Maintain confidentiality of any provisions	Reason	Other requirements of confidentiality	Reason
Telstra	Provision of Telecommunications Services	\$450,000	04/12/13	04/12/16	No		No	
Rork Projects Pty Ltd	Provision of accommodation fit-out at new Canberra Registry	\$1,431,600	28/04/14	13/06/15	No		No	
Perpetual Trustee Company Limited	Canberra registry property lease	\$4,482,691	11/02/14	30/06/24	No		No	
Macquarie Telecom	Internet Based Network Connection Services (IBNC) services	\$171,996	14/04/14	14/04/19	No		No	
Project Control Group Pty Ltd	Provision of design and project management services in relation to Canberra Registry relocation.	\$121,420	13/01/14	30/06/14	No		No	
Project Control Group Pty Ltd	Property fit-out project	\$326,400	28/04/14	13/06/14	No		No	
CCH Australia Limited Pty Ltd	Access to online and print subscriptions	\$183,516	01/07/14	30/06/15	No		No	
Thomson Reuters	Acces to printed and digital subscriptions	\$491,293	01/07/14	30/06/15	No		No	
Macquarie Telecom Pty Ltd	5 year contract for the provision of the AAT';s Secure Internet Gateway services	\$838,106	14/04/14	14/04/19	No		No	
LexisNexis	Annual library subscription	\$371,082	01/08/14	31/07/15	No		No	
Project Control Group Pty Ltd	Provision of lease consultancy services for Melbourne, Perth and Adelaide.	\$145,877	26/09/14	31/03/16	No		No	

## **REASONS**

- (1) These contracts were signed under a previous contracting practice of marking the entire contract 'commercial-in-confidence'. Contracting policy has since changed.
- (2) The reason for confidentiality is to protect confidential information of the Commonwealth and/or the contractor whereby a party is obliged not to disclose confidential information obtained incidental to the performance of the contract to any person who is not a party to the contract without the prior written approval of the other party.
- (3) Pricing and discounts in schedule considered commercially sensitive information.
- (4) There are clauses that limit the parties disclosure of confidential information however the parties have agreed that no contractual provisions are confidential in relation to Parliamentary and governmental reporting and accountability requirements.

## NOTES:

The value of each contract may be an estimate based on current and future usage.