

B2 Direct Briefing: Case study

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Have you briefed a barrister directly (for advice or litigation) in the last 12 months?

If "Yes", has that brief/those briefs been to conduct litigation on behalf of your organisation? Y/N



How much of your legal work overall goes to barristers compared to external solicitors?



How important are the following matters in deciding when/whether to instruct BOTH a barrister and a solicitor?

- 1. Complexity of factual matters
- 2. Complexity of legal matters
- 3. Unfamiliar area of law
- 4. Amount of in-house resources available
- 5. Other:



Differences between briefing needs of in house counsel across the following sectors?



How do you find barristers?



What information do you use to make a decision about who to brief?

- 1. Cases involved with
- 2. Personal recommendations from former solicitors or clients
- 3. Papers posted on web-site
- 4. Interaction at seminars/conferences
- 5. Information re: personal working style;
- 6. Gender
- 7. Other?



Do you feel confident in putting together a brief?