



RICS Dispute Resolution Service

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The RICS Dispute Resolution Service announce pro-bono dispute resolution method for the Queensland construction industry.

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The RICS Dispute Resolution Services ("RICS DRS") is pleased to announce the introduction of pro-bono dispute resolution service for the Queensland construction industry.

For a limited time, claimants within the Queensland construction industry will be able to receive free adjudication of their payment dispute under the Building and Construction Industry Payments Act (2004) for payment claims up to the value of \$1,500.00 (including GST) through the RICS DRS.

With the global financial crisis beginning to take hold within the Queensland construction industry, the RICS DRS recognise that in many cases some individuals and companies are struggling to keep their heads above water.

Claimants can take advantage of this offer for a limited time. The RICS DRS will accept pro bono adjudication applications from Claimants for a limited time, with the offer expiring at close of business on the 30th of April, 2009.

This offer is subject to terms and conditions that can be read on the pro-bono adjudication application form, which can be obtained from our website (<http://www.ricsdrs.com.au>) or obtained directly from our staff.

The RICS DRS is an approved body for the nomination of adjudicators to payment disputes and also provides approved training courses for claimants and respondents under the Building and Construction Industry Payments Act 2004.

Individuals and companies involved which carry out construction work or supply related goods and services, and have outstanding payment disputes for work within Queensland are eligible to apply for pro bono adjudication.

For those who have payment claims that exceed the maximum prescribed amount (\$1,500.00), the RICS DRS offer competitive fixed and non-fixed rates for adjudication of payment disputes.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact the RICS DRS by the methods shown below.

ABOUT THE RICS DRS

The RICS DRS is the leading global provider of alternative dispute resolution services, helping resolve disputes in areas relating to land, property and construction. RICS DRS is backed by the experience and expertise of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors ("RICS"), which has been operating in dispute resolution services for the past 20 years.

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