

The Administration Act 1903

Terms of Reference

In 1989 the Commission was asked to review the *Administration Act 1903* (WA) (“the Act”).

Background of Reference

The Act governs the rights of inheritance of property.¹ It provides a regime for the orderly winding up of a deceased person's affairs and the administration of his or her property in the interests of creditors and beneficiaries. Much of the day-to-day operation of the Act in non-contentious matters is governed by the *Non-Contentious Probate Rules 1967* (WA), which are made under the authority of the Act. The operation of the Act in contentious matters is governed by the *Rules of the Supreme Court 1971* (WA), in particular Order 73. However the Commission's terms of reference 4 Tj -1

