

Appendix B: Initiatives targeting access to justice (ATJ) and recruitment and retention (R&R) in regional, rural and remote Australia

Date	State	Target	Name	Auspice	Role	Funder
1994	Qld, Vic, NSW	ATJ	Justice Statement RRR Community Legal Centres	Various community organisations	RRR CLC	AGD
	Qld	ATJ	Western Queensland Justice Network (WQJN),	Legal Aid Queensland	Video conferencing, in community organizations Soli in Mt Isa	AGD CLSP RNEI
2004	Qld	R&R	Regional Solicitor Program	Legal Aid Queensland	Graduates to RRR 2 year placement, jointly employed with firm, a \$5000 bonus if they stay at a firm for three consecutive years. QLA pays PLT and 75% of wages, firm pays 25% and provides supervision (training of supervisors?)	QLA
2007	NSW	ATJ	Regional Solicitor Program	Legal Aid NSW	Dedicated lawyer to do legal aid work. Get \$5k relocation allowance. 2008-2009 annual evaluation by Urbis	PPF
2007	WA	R&R	Country Lawyers Program	WA Legal Aid	3 program streams: for graduates (start as articled clerks and do a 4 year program, do short placements in 5 agencies, Law Society of Western Australia, the Community Legal Centres Association of WA, the Aboriginal Legal Service of WA, Indigenous Family Violence Prevention Legal Services and the Legal Practice Board of WA.), experienced lawyers (4 week induction, placements up to 3 years) and practicing lawyers given support to access CPD (yearly fixed terms in one of the agencies).	
2008-2012	NSW, Qld, Tas, WA	R&R	Regional Innovations Program for Legal Services (RIPLS)	Legal Aid Commissions in 4 states (not Vic, SA, NT, ACT)	Increase participation of private lawyers in ATJ.	AGD \$5.8m
2008-2014	Aust	RRR PLT	Regional rural and remote practical legal training project	10 PLT providers 145 RRR LAS Law Schools	Project team identifies RRR Legal Assistance Services which have capacity to host a PLT law graduate. This opportunity is promoted to the PLT students through a website and direct posts. The team then triage and match graduates to LAS	AGD
2009 -2014	NSW	ATJ	Regional Outreach Clinic Program	Legal Aid	NSW Use private and public lawyers (who are paid a fixed fee and travel costs) to do outreach to communities to offer minimal assistance, casework	AGD RIPL
2010	NSW Qld SA NT	5R	Recruitment and Retention of Lawyers in public legal assistance services in regional, rural and remote Australia.	National Association of Community Legal Centres	Four pilot projects established to work with the local legal profession to develop initiatives to support the retention of public lawyers	AGD
2010	National	R&R	RRRLaw	NACLC	In collaboration with the Law Council of Australia, develop a national website, and promotional DVD and marketing campaign to encourage lawyers to work in RRR Australia	AGD