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District Court of New South Wales

(1858 -)

Born 12 November, 1858, New South Wales Australia

Summary

The District Court of New South Wales is the intermediate court in the state's judicial hierarchy. It is a trial court – the largest in Australia – and it has an appellate jurisdiction. The Court's judges, of which there are more than 60, also preside over a number of tribunals. The District Court Act 1858 (22 Vic No 18), which was assented to on 12 November 1858, established district courts and divided the then Colony of New South Wales into Districts. The District Court Act 1973 established a single District Court of New South Wales, with a state-wide criminal and civil jurisdiction.

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