



STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purposes for which the Institute is established are:-

1. To promote and encourage the study of genealogy, heraldry, family history and allied subjects throughout Australia and to assist members and others in genealogical research.
2. To promote and arrange for easier access by the public to public records and record repositories throughout Australia.
3. To acquire and maintain a reference and research library covering all aspects of genealogy, heraldry, family history and allied subjects for the use of members and others and to collect and preserve archives devoted to the history of Australian families and related material.
4. To make records and indexes of monumental inscriptions, parish registers and other genealogical sources.
5. To conduct regular meetings and lectures covering the various aspects of genealogical and heraldic studies. AND solely for the purpose of carrying out the foregoing objects and not otherwise the Institute shall have the following powers:
6. To become a member of or affiliate with or to subscribe to any other Association whether incorporated or not having objects similar to those of the Institute.
7. To grant sums of money out of the funds of the Institute for the promotion of any of the objects of the Institute in such a manner as may from time to time be determined.
8. To print publish issue and circulate such advertisements periodicals books circulars and other publications as may seem conducive to carrying out the objects of the Institute and to enter into any contract or agreement with any person or persons or corporation to produce any such advertisements periodicals books circulars and other publications.
9. To apply for purchase or otherwise acquire any patents, brevets d'invention, licenses, concessions and the like, conferring any exclusive or non-exclusive or limited right to use, or in any secret or other information as to any invention which may seem capable of being used for any of the purposes of the Institute or the acquisition of which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to benefit the Institute, and to use, exercise, develop or grant licenses in respect of, or otherwise turn to account the property, right or information so acquired.
10. To take or otherwise acquire and hold shares in any company having objects similar to those of the Institute, or carrying on any business capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit this Institute.
11. To establish and support or aid in the establishment and support of Associations, Institutes, funds, trusts and conveniences calculated to benefit employees and ex-employees of the Institute or its predecessors in business or the dependants or connections of such persons, and to grant pensions and allowances, and to make payments towards insurance, and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects.

12. Generally to purchase, take or lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire, any real and personal property, and any right or privileges which the Institute may think necessary or convenient for the purposes of its business and in particular any land, buildings, easements, machinery, plant and stock-in-trade.
13. To construct, maintain and alter any buildings or works necessary or convenient for the purpose of the Institute.
14. To invest and deal with the moneys of the Institute not immediately required in such manner as may from time to time be determined.
15. To borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner as the Institute shall think fit, and in particular by the issue of debentures, or debenture stock, perpetual or otherwise, charging upon all or any of the Institute's property (both present and future) and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities.
16. Subject to the provisions of Rule 59 to remunerate any persons or company for services rendered, or be rendered, in placing or assisting to place or guaranteeing the placing of any debentures, debenture stock or other securities of the Institute, or in or about the formation or promotion of the Institute or the conduct of its business.
17. To draw, make, accept, endorse, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading, warrants, debentures and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
18. To undertake and execute any trusts the undertaking whereof may seem desirable, and either gratuitously or otherwise.
19. To adopt such means of making known the objects of the Institute as may seem expedient, and in particular by advertising in the press, by circulars, by publication of books and in periodicals and by granting prizes, rewards and donations.
20. To procure the Institute to be registered or recognised in any foreign country or place.
21. To sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, mortgage, enfranchise, dispose of, turn to account, or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Institute.
22. To do all or any of the above things in any part of the world, and as principals, agents, contractors, trustees, or otherwise, and either alone or in conjunction with others.
23. To develop and turn to account any land acquired by the Institute and in which it is interested and in particular by laying out and preparing and maintaining, fitting up and improving buildings, and by planting, paving, draining, farming, cultivating and letting on building, lease, or agreement and by advancing money to and entering into contracts and arrangements of all kinds with builders and others.
24. To amalgamate with any other incorporated association having objects similar to those of this Institute, of whose Rules prohibit the division of its income and property amongst its members to the same extent as is done by Rule 59.
25. Generally to do all such things as are incidental to, or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.