



## Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

28 September 2022

Dr Isabel Brouwer  
 Statewide Clinical Director  
 c/o Anne Catanuto  
 NSW Health Pathology – Forensic Medicine Sydney  
 1A Main Avenue LIDCOMBE NSW 2141

By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Dr Brouwer,

### Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes: Request for records

I assist the Commissioner, Justice John Sackar, in the Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes (“the Inquiry”).

#### The Inquiry

By way of background, on 13 April 2022, the Governor, by Letters Patent, issued a commission to his Honour to inquire into and report on historical LGBTIQ hate crimes. Specifically, the Letters Patent require his Honour to inquire into and report to the Governor and Premier on the following matters by 30 June 2023:

- A. The manner and cause of death in all cases that remain unsolved from the 88 deaths or suspected deaths of men potentially motivated by gay hate bias that were considered by Strike Force Parrabell; and
- B. The manner and cause of death in all unsolved suspected hate crime deaths in New South Wales that occurred between 1970 and 2010 where:
  - i) The victim was a member of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ) community; and
  - ii) The death was the subject of a previous investigation by the NSW Police Force.

A copy of the Letters Patent and other information about the Inquiry is available online at: [www.specialcommission.nsw.gov.au](http://www.specialcommission.nsw.gov.au).

#### Summons to produce documents

One of the matters being considered by the Inquiry is the death of David Lloyd-Williams (born 20 June 1946) on 24 August 1978 at North Head, Manly. On 26 August 1978, Dr Grade Higgins performed an autopsy on Mr Lloyd-Williams (Post Mortem No. 78/1887). Dr Higgins recorded the cause of death as “multiple injuries”.

## Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

---

The Coroners Court of NSW has provided the Inquiry with the coronial file for Mr Lloyd-Williams, which includes the autopsy and toxicology reports. However, the coronial file unfortunately does not include any autopsy photographs or similar material taken at the time of the autopsy. Nor can I be certain whether the coronial file contains all relevant reports that may have been prepared in relation to this matter.

In light of this, please find **enclosed**, by way of service, a summons requiring the production of all records held by NSW Health Pathology – Forensic Medicine in relation to Mr Lloyd-Williams (Summons DOFM2).

The summons is returnable on **12 October 2022** and the documents may be produced electronically. I note that due to the age of the files, they may be in archives. If further time is required to produce the material, please advise Caitlin Healey-Nash, Senior Solicitor, as soon as possible and indicate when you anticipate the files can be provided.

Please do not hesitate to contact Ms Healey-Nash on (02) 9474 9268 or at [caitlin.healey-nash@specialcommission.nsw.gov.au](mailto:caitlin.healey-nash@specialcommission.nsw.gov.au) should you wish to discuss this request further.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours faithfully,



Caitlin Healey-Nash  
Senior Solicitor  
**for Crown Solicitor**

Encl. 1

# SUMMONS TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS



## Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

Summons No. DOFM2

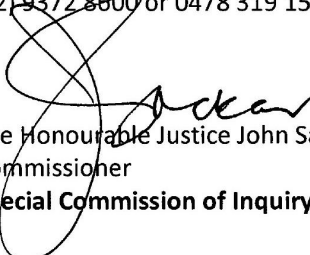
To: The Proper Officer  
NSW Health Pathology – Forensic Medicine Sydney  
Forensic Medicine & Coroners Court Complex  
1A Main Avenue  
LIDCOMBE NSW 2141

You are required to attend the Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes in New South Wales to give evidence and to produce the documents specified in the annexure to this Summons at:

- (a) Chief Secretary's Building  
Level 2, 121 Macquarie Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2000
  
- (b) on 12 October 2022 at 10:00am

Pursuant to s. 23(1) of the *Special Commissions of Inquiry Act 1983* you are not excused from answering any questions or producing any document on the ground that the answer or production may criminate or tend to criminate you, or on the ground of privilege or on any other ground.

If you have any queries concerning this Summons, please contact Kate Lockery, Principal Solicitor, on (02) 9372 8600 or 0478 319 158.

  
The Honourable Justice John Sackar  
Commissioner  
Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

28 September 2022

**ANNEXURE TO SUMMONS TO PRODUCE DOCUMENTS**  
**Summons No. DOFM2**

1. All records held by NSW Health Pathology – Forensic Medicine in relation to:
  - a. **David Lloyd-Williams** (DOB: 20/06/1946), including but not limited to all photographs, CT images and/or notes taken at the time of, or relevant to, his autopsy on 26 August 1978 (Post Mortem No. 78/1887).