

# Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

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By email:
Dear Mr Hodgetts,
Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes: Wendy Waine
I refer to the above Inquiry.
Summons NSWPF86
In the course of inquiring into the death of Wendy Waine on 29 or 30 April 1985, the Commissioner would be assisted by information in relation to certain persons that have been identified as witnesses, persons of interest or otherwise significant to Ms Waine's death, and certain exhibits collected in the course of the investigation into Ms Waine's death.
Accordingly, please find <b>enclosed</b> a summons to produce requesting the criminal history, intelligence reports and other relevant records held by the NSWPF for NP177 (DOB 1962, CNI That summons also requests four exhibits tendered in relation to the investigation of Ms Waine's death; and any fingerprint file related to Ms Waine's death (Summons NSWPF86). In the latter regard, I note that the Inquiry has obtained police exhibit no. 85/8076, being a fingerprint file relating to NP178 collected in the course of investigation of Ms Waine's death, but is seeking to obtain information as to the time, manner and location of collection of that exhibit, and whether any other unidentified fingerprints were collected.

#### Statement as to searches for exhibits

Should no exhibits be located in response to item 2(a) of this summons, it would assist the Inquiry if NSWPF could provide a formal written response regarding the status of, and the searches undertaken in relation to, those exhibits. Accordingly, I am instructed to request a letter or statement from an appropriate person at NSWPF addressing the following matters:

1. Please outline the searches undertaken to locate the exhibits requested by item 2(a) of summons NSWPF86, and the outcome of these searches.

## Inquiry as to firearms records

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The Inquiry would also be assisted by information about NSWPF practice in relation to firearms handling and record-keeping in the 1980s. We would be grateful for information as to:

- Whether, as at 1985, firearms used by NSWPF officers would have had to be signed back into a firearms safe at a given station and;
- Whether any records are likely to exist relating to the discharge of firearms in the course of duty on in around 1985.

## Timeframe for provision of material

Summons NSWPF86 is returnable at **10:00am on Thursday, 27 April 2023** and your cooperation with this timeframe is appreciated. Any statement as to searches undertaken for the requested exhibits should be provided by the same deadline.

In the event that you anticipate any difficulty with this timeframe, please forward a request for an extension of time in writing. To assist his Honour in considering the application for an extension, please provide a brief outline of the reasons an extension is sought and the date by which you anticipate being in a position to produce the material sought.

Please do not hesitate to contact Kate Lockery, Principal Solicitor, on regarding this summons.

Yours faithfully,

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Solicitor Assisting the Inquiry

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