

Director's Chambers

Our Reference

Your Reference

26 June 2023

Ms Aleksandra Jez Senior Solicitor Special Commissioner of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

By email:

Dear Ms Jez,

Death of Anthony Cawsey and proposed tender of material

I refer to your email of 25 June 2023 concerning the Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes and its consideration of the death of Anthony Cawsey.

Thank you for providing this Office with the opportunity to consider the statement of the family, which refers in part to their interactions with this Office.

Whilst no issue is taken with the publication of the statement in full, it is noted that, in response to their letter of 14 January 2019 (referred to on p6 of the statement), our records show that then-Director Lloyd Babb SC had a telephone conversation with Ms Christine Cawsey AM on 20 February 2019, during which they discussed the concerns raised in Ms Cawsey's letter.

The Office asks that the fact of this call between Mr Babb SC and Ms Cawsey AM be referred to by Counsel Assisting in any submissions made concerning the chronology of the interactions between the family of Anthony Cawsey and this Office.

Yours faithfully

Sally Dowling SC

Director of Public Prosecutions