



Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

18 September 2023

Mr Paul Michael Thornton

By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Thornton,

Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes – Samantha Rose

I refer to the above Inquiry, and to my letter sent to you on 25 August 2023 regarding the death of Samantha Rose.

Enclosed with the letter were the written submissions of Counsel Assisting and the written submissions provided on behalf of the Commissioner of the NSW Police Force ("NSWPF") in relation to Ms Rose's death.

Provision of Written Submissions

The Inquiry understands that you were the officer in charge of the investigation into the death of Ms Rose.

In my letter of 25 August 2023, I indicated that the NSWPF have advised the Inquiry they may not act for you, or *any* of the officers in charge of investigations that are being considered by the Inquiry pursuant to category A and B of the Letters Patent.

I indicated that if you wished to make written submissions beyond those made by the NSWPF in respect of the death of Ms Rose, any written submissions were to be provided to the Inquiry by no later than 4pm on 15 September 2023.

The Inquiry has not received any written submissions from you in connection with the death of Ms Rose. As such, the Inquiry will now proceed on the basis that you do not wish to make any written submissions in relation to this matter.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Aleksandra Jez at [REDACTED]

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'E. Camporeale'.

Enzo Camporeale

Director, Legal

Solicitor Assisting the Inquiry