



Special Commission of Inquiry into LGBTIQ hate crimes

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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Hodgetts,

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I refer to the above Inquiry, and the death of William Allen.

I also refer to summons NSWPF5, and the Inquiry's letter dated 15 June 2023 and the reply of Ms Garaty dated 16 July 2023 regarding the same (copies **enclosed** for ease of reference).

Summons material in relation to the death of William Allen

On 14 June 2023, the Inquiry wrote to NSWPF requesting that outstanding material sought in accordance with items (3) and (4) of summons NSWPF5 be provided by no later than 18 June 2023.

On 16 June 2023, Ms Garaty wrote to the Inquiry indicating that searches for these documents had identified two additional archive boxes which may contain this material had been identified and were in the process of being digitised for review. An extension of time was sought to produce records to 21 June 2023.

On 20 June 2023, the NSWPF provided an additional 290 documents in relation to the death of Mr Allen which were said to be responsive to summons NSWPF5. Having reviewed this material, it does not appear to be responsive to either summons NSWPF5 or the Inquiry's letter dated 14 June 2023. Rather, the material appears to be documents captured by summons NSWPF1.

The documents sought in items (3) and (4) of summons NSWPF5, which are documents reviewed by the Unsolved Homicide Team in 2021, have not yet been provided to the Inquiry. These documents are required on an urgent basis, noting that the case of Mr Allen is expected to proceed to a documentary tender within the next two weeks (after the initial date of 23 June 2023 had to be vacated due to the production of the further records referred to above).

Timeframe for response

The Inquiry requires the documents requested at items (3) and (4) of summons NSWPF5 by no later than **12:00pm on Thursday, 29 June 2023**.

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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 requested material.

Please do not hesitate to contact Kate Lockery on [REDACTED] if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

Yours faithfully,



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