
TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS

**INDEPENDENT COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO QUEENSLAND POLICE
SERVICE RESPONSES TO DOMESTIC AND FAMILY VIOLENCE**

COMMISSIONER: HER HONOUR JUDGE DEBORAH RICHARDS

**COUNSEL ASSISTING: RUTH O'GORMAN QC
ANNA CAPPELLANO**

**Court 23, Brisbane Magistrates Court,
363 George Street, Brisbane.**

Monday, 22 August 2022

1 COMMISSIONER: Can I have the appearances since we've got
2 some different appearances this afternoon.

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4 MS O'GORMAN: Thank you, Commissioner. My name is
5 O'Gorman, initials RM, of Queen's Counsel. I appear with
6 my learned junior, Ms Cappellano, initials AC, for the
7 Counsel Assisting team.

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9 COMMISSIONER: Thank you.

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11 MS IRELAND: Good afternoon, Commissioner. My name is
12 Ireland, I-R-E-L-A-N-D, initial A, lawyer for the
13 Queensland Police Service.

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15 COMMISSIONER: Thank you.

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17 MS MORRIS: Thank you, Commissioner. For the record, my
18 name is Morris, M-O-R-R-I-S, initial M, solicitor in the
19 employ of Gilshenan & Luton legal practice and I appear for
20 the Queensland Police Union of Employees.

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22 COMMISSIONER: Thanks, Ms Morris.

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24 MS BROMLEY: If it please the Commission, my name is
25 Bromley, initials NH, solicitor instructed by Women's Legal
26 Service Queensland.

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28 COMMISSIONER: Thank you. Now, on Thursday 18 August 2022
29 the Commissioner of Police, Katarina Carroll, gave evidence
30 before this Commission. After considering the answers to
31 the questions put to her at that hearing and upon receiving
32 further communications from current and former members of
33 the QPS since that hearing, the Commission has decided that
34 it's necessary to re-open the call for submissions.

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36 The Commission is particularly interested in any
37 cultural or other issues that may be affecting the ability
38 of officers to effectively undertake the important and
39 onerous task of protecting our most vulnerable citizens.
40 Any parties who may have further information relevant to
41 our inquiries into the current culture within the
42 Police Service are asked to email a submission by close of
43 business on 5 September 2022.

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45 Any submissions of course can be treated
46 confidentially. Of the submissions we've already received
47 many of those officers have asked to be treated

1 confidentially, and that request will be honoured. If for
2 any reason any party is uncomfortable putting matters in
3 writing they can also call the Commission and ask to speak
4 to Counsel Assisting, and that request will be attended to.
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6 The Commission will also arrange for a recording of
7 Katarina Carroll's evidence to be uploaded to the website
8 to assist any individual who may wish to address any of
9 the issues canvassed during her evidence. Transcripts of
10 the evidence given during the hearings are also available
11 on the website, together with any statements and documents
12 publicly tendered.
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14 I would particularly urge any current members of the
15 QPS to provide any further information to the Commission as
16 may assist in the accurate, full and fair reporting of
17 these matters in the final report. Any decision about
18 further public hearings will be made after 5 September 2022
19 when the new closing date for submissions has passed.
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21 Anything arising, Ms O'Gorman?
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23 MS O'GORMAN: Nothing from Counsel Assisting, thank you,
24 Commissioner.
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26 COMMISSIONER: Does anybody else have any submissions?
27 All right. We'll be in touch if we have anything further
28 we need to add. Thank you.
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