

**INQUIRY INTO LEGISLATION ON ALTRUISTIC
SURROGACY IN NSW**

Name: Name Supressed

Date received: 22/01/2009

Partially Confidential

My wife and I are probably the most successful early recipients of the invitro fertilisation programme.

We now have Triplet aged and aged .

We also kept frozen for 6 years an embryo which we later transferred/adopted to Victoria to a surrogate parent who now has a healthy year old son.

When looking at this sort of legislation, you would be well advised to consider the very large number of frozen embryos in this State which in theory may be sold and traded in the following circumstances;

1. Embryos sold by the parents who wish to help others to have children; and
2. Embryos sold to a surrogate mother who carries the embryo for others who also pay a fee.

We are now in the position where the donor parents wish to contact our family through the Victorian Registry. While we welcome this issue, our position is one which is a mixture between adoption and surrogacy.

The point I wish to make is that I am concerned that there is a huge number of frozen embryos that have the potential to be traded in this manner.