

## **INQUIRY INTO PROCEDURAL FAIRNESS FOR INQUIRY PARTICIPANTS**

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**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**  
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Hon Matthew Mason-Cox MLC  
Committee Chair  
Privileges Committee  
Parliament House  
Macquarie Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Dear Chair

Thank you for the invitation to make a submission to your inquiry into Procedural Fairness for Inquiry Participants.

The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory adopted resolutions similar to the Senate Privileges Resolution 1 in 1992 on the motion of the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee and similar to Senate Privileges Resolution 2 in 1996 on the recommendation of a report of the Standing Orders Committee. These resolutions were incorporated into the Standing Orders following a review of the Standing Orders by the Standing Orders Committee in 2015

To date these provisions have provided a useful guide to committees and appear to have been effective in both facilitating committee inquiries and protecting the rights of witnesses.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the operation of these procedures in the Northern Territory.

Yours sincerely

✓ Michael Tatham  
Clerk  
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