

INQUIRY INTO CORONIAL JURISDICTION IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Dear Committee Members

I wish to make a very short submission totally supporting that of my former colleague Hugh Dillon. I was the State Coroner for NSW from 2007 to 2013 and worked closely with Hugh. After 2013, I returned for several months to stand in for Michael Barnes while he was involved in the Lindt Inquest.

We discussed the lack of resources, independence and needs of the Coronial Court many times and have continued to do so since I left the jurisdiction. I strongly believe that it should be a stand alone court as outlined by Mr Dillon's submission. I would be prepared if necessary to answer any questions from the committee