

# Information for Journalists

# Law Enforcement Conduct Commission hearings

Public examinations (often referred to as hearings) form part of some Commission investigations. On the completion of an investigation which has included a public examination, the Commission will present an investigation report to NSW Parliament. The usually report will contain recommendation that the report be made Ιf Parliament public. approves recommendation, the investigation report will be available to the public.

### Non-publication order (suppression order)

A non-publication order may be applied, lifted and then reapplied throughout an examination. The Law Enforcement Conduct Commission Manager, Community Engagement may advise on the currency of suppression orders during а examination, however it is the responsibility of media outlets to ensure all suppression orders are enforced. If unsure, journalists should contact the Manager, Community Engagement (02 9321 6777 or 0425 317 535) to confirm if a suppression order is in effect.

# Recording and filming

Media waiting for witnesses to leave the building via the ground floor must remain outside the ground floor lobby on Elizabeth Street. To maintain the integrity of the Commission's public examinations, the Commission will ask media to cease any unauthorised filming, recording or photography.

Media who do not comply with this request may be excluded from an examination. Any breach will be reported to the offending media outlet and further action may be taken if the Commission deems it necessary.

# **Transcripts**

Daily transcripts of the Commission's public examinations will be available on the Commission's website normally by the evening of the same day or early the next morning. The transcript will also be edited to reflect any relevant suppression orders.

#### **Exhibits**

The media is permitted to film, record and photograph public exhibits as directed by the Commission's Manager, Community Engagement. Members of the media may request public exhibits by contacting the Manager, Community Engagement.

#### **Interviews**

Interviews with witnesses, counsel and the public will not be facilitated by the Commission and are not permitted within Commission premises, including the Commission lift area.

#### Questions and clarification

Questions in relation to public examinations should be directed to the Manager, Community Engagement on 9321 6777/ 0425 317 535.

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