



Royal Commission
into Institutional Responses
to Child Sexual Abuse

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By email: pskinner@sgchambers.com.au

Dear Mr Skinner,

Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse (Royal Commission)
Case Study CS42: Anglican Diocese of Newcastle

We note your advice to Vicki Hughes of 12 September 2016 that your client, Bishop Richard Appleby, will be travelling overseas from 14 November 2016 for a month. Consequently, Bishop Appleby will be overseas when the public hearing in relation to the Anglican Diocese of Newcastle resumes on 16 November 2016. As you are aware, your client is to be re-called to give evidence when the public hearing resumes.

We draw your attention to the following transcript pinpoint references relating to your client's oral evidence on 4 and 5 August 2016:

1. Oral evidence of Bishop Appleby concerning any recollection of meeting CKA and receiving his disclosure of allegations against CKC.

Transcript of R F Appleby, Case Study 42, 4 August 2016 at C16522:33 – C16523:10.

Transcript of R F Appleby, Case Study 42, 4 August 2016 at C16522:27-43 and C16524:1-13.

2. Oral evidence of Bishop Appleby in relation to checking his diaries from 1983 to 1985 and there being no single entry for a meeting with CKA.

Transcript of R F Appleby, Case Study 42, 5 August 2016 at C16525:21-27 and C16556:15-19.

3. Oral evidence of Bishop Appleby in relation to the likelihood he met with CKA and his family over the issues concerning Arthur Bridge.

Transcript of R F Appleby, Case Study 42, 4 August 2016 at C16523, 16555, 16558.

4. Oral evidence of Bishop Appleby concerning any recollection of meeting Ms Teresa Burns or COF regarding allegations Jim Brown had abused COF's son CKZ

Transcript of R F Appleby, Case Study 42, 4 August 2016 at C16529 – 16532.

Your client subsequently provided his diaries for the years 1984, 1987, 1989 and 1990 to the Royal Commission pursuant to Summons to Produce S-NSW-753.

We draw your attention to the following diary entries:

1. 12 July 1984, 10.30am – visit to CKL
2. 13 August 1984 - CKA (48 Newcomen St)
3. 12 February 1987, 2.30pm – REDACTED
4. 16 February 1987, 7.30pm – Jim Brown
5. 12 June 1987, 10.00am – Jim Brown
6. 4 July 1989, 3.30pm – call Kurri Rectory re Jim Brown
7. 22 May 1990, 4pm – REDACTED (48 Newcomen St)

Copies of these diary entries are attached to this letter.

On the face of it, the oral evidence of Bishop Appleby conflicts with evidence provided by others and conflicts with his diary entries, thereby putting his credit into issue. Please provide a supplementary statement by 28 October 2016 addressing Bishop Appleby's oral evidence to date and each of the relevant diary entries as detailed above.

Bishop Appleby will be required to make himself available to give evidence via video-link when the public hearing resumes in Sydney on 16 November 2016 at a time and date to be advised.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or Vicki Hughes on (02) REDACTED if you would like to discuss any aspect of this letter.

Yours sincerely,



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