

Royal Commission

into the Management of Police Informants

SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT OF BRETT JOHN CURRAN

1. My full name is Brett John Curran.
2. I have previously made a statement to the Royal Commission into the Management of Police Informants dated 28 March 2019.
3. I make this supplementary statement in response to a request from the Royal Commission dated 2 September 2019. It is produced in response to a Notice to Produce.
4. The Royal Commission has asked me to detail my state of knowledge regarding information and assistance that Ms Gobbo was providing to Victoria Police during 2005 to 2013, having regard to the roles that I was undertaking during this period.
5. As I stated in paragraph 18 of my first statement to the Royal Commission, I first became aware of Ms Gobbo's role as a witness in proceedings against Paul Dale from media reports about this. I don't recall precisely when the media reporting occurred, but believe it would have been during the time that I was the Chief of Staff to the Office of the Minister of Police.
6. As I stated in paragraph 19 of my first statement, to the best of my recollection, I first became aware of Ms Gobbo's provision of information and assistance to police during the gangland period after I commenced in my current role as Chief of Staff to the Chief Commissioner, Graham Ashton.
7. I do not believe that I had any awareness of Ms Gobbo's role while I was working for Chief Commissioner Nixon.
8. My legal representatives have shown me some documents relating to the seeking of an authorisation from the Minister in relation to the potential settlement of civil litigation between Victoria Police and Ms Gobbo.¹ I have no recollection of having previously seen those documents or having any involvement in this process.

¹ VPL.6075.0062.8506, VPL.0005.0036.0253, VPL.0100.0168.0002.

9. I do not have any recollection of acquiring any knowledge or awareness of Ms Gobbo's role while I was the Chief of Staff to the Office of the Opposition Leader of the Victoria State Parliament.

Dated: 29 November 2019



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Brett John Curran