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Hello Krista,

I told Nicola on Friday that Tim Walsh had been briefed for DALE. She expressed some concerns about that, which I said I would pass on to you. For mine, I think Walsh is quite reasonable.

In summary:

- Gobbo and Walsh shared the same Clerk for several years and she 'flicked' a lot of work to Tim.
- They often socialised together.
- Tim is well connected socially to many police and may (I think unlikely) be aware of her full history with Victoria Police.

Perhaps more relevantly from Friday's meeting - Nicola is adamant and will say that she has never breached a client's privilege, vis-a-vis DALE or any other client - any admissions made to her about criminal offending were not made in the context of providing legal advice about that offending.

Finally, while Nicola appears resigned and ready to give evidence, she repeatedly asks about what security provisions will be put in place once she is called and especially should be she asked about/exposed for her historical relationships with Victoria Police. As (relatively) smoothly as things are progressing at present, this is likely to become a sticking point as we get closer to the Committal, for your information.

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