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From: Heffernan, Tamara
Sent: Thu, 29 Mar 2007 09:34:36 +1000
To: Rowe, Paul
Subject: RE: Mr Bickley

Hi Paul,

All we can do is advise that the DPP is of the view that a conflict plainly exists. When I raised that with Margaret, she didn't dispute that. And if Nicola tried to act (and I don't think she would) she would have to seek the advice of the Ethics Committee of the Victorian Bar. Having read a number of their rulings re conflicts, I'm confident that they would advise that she cannot act.

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Paul Rowe [REDACTED]
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29/03/2007 08:04 AM

Tamara Heffernan [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
RE: [REDACTED]

To
cc
Subject

Tamara,

all sounds good. Its my understanding that the onus would be on Nicola GOBBO to excuse herself, is this correct? And if she doesn't, is it the case that there would be very little we could do? The only reason I ask is Mr Bickley has been very determined in wanting to use her.

Paul ROWE
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Purana Taskforce

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From: Heffernan, Tamara

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Sent: Wednesday, 28 March 2007 13:18
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26/03/2007 03:31 PM

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To: Rowe, Paul; Flynn, Dale
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