

**QUEENSLAND ORGANISED CRIME COMMISSION OF INQUIRY**

**PROCEDURAL GUIDELINE No. 02**

**Authority to Appear and Legal Representation at Sitings**

1. At any sittings of the Queensland Organised Crime Commission of Inquiry persons or their legal practitioners may be authorised to appear before the Commission and may, so far as the Commission thinks proper, examine or cross-examine any witness on any matter which the Commission deems relevant to the Inquiry.
2. Any person summoned to attend before the Commission to give evidence pursuant to the *Commissions of Inquiry Act 1950*, section 5(1)(a) may be represented by a legal practitioner while that person is giving evidence.
3. Otherwise persons or their legal practitioners who desire to appear or be represented at any sittings of the Commission shall forward a written application to the Executive Director of the Commission as soon as possible after 30 April 2015 and by no later than 5.00pm on 11 May 2015. The written application shall be forwarded by email to:  
  
[mailbox@organisedcrimeinquiry.qld.gov.au](mailto:mailbox@organisedcrimeinquiry.qld.gov.au)
4. The written application shall:
  - (a) Identify the person who desires to appear or be legally represented;
  - (b) Specify those parts of the *Commissions of Inquiry Order (No.1) 2015* in which the person is interested or in respect of which it is said that their interests may be materially affected by the Inquiry;
  - (c) Identify the grounds on which it is said that the interests exist or the grounds on which it is said that the interests may be materially affected;
  - (d) If it is desired that a legal practitioner should be given authority to appear to represent a person, then the name of the lawyer proposed, including, if applicable, the name of counsel, should be identified; and
  - (e) An email address for correspondence.

5. Where an application for authority to appear is received in accordance with this guideline the Commission shall either:
  - (a) Determine the application on the written material provided and notify the person or their nominated legal practitioner accordingly; or
  - (b) Notify the person or their nominated legal practitioner that they will be required to attend at a sittings of the Commission on a date to be advised for further consideration of their application.
6. Any authority to appear or be legally represented may be varied or withdrawn or made subject to conditions at any time.
7. This guideline may be subject to variation or replacement at any time.