



**BOARD OF INQUIRY INTO THE COVID-19 HOTEL QUARANTINE PROGRAM**

**APPLICATION FOR A RESTRICTED PUBLICATION ORDER**

**BACKGROUND**

1. A person, referred to as 'Security Guard 16', who worked as a security guard in the Hotel Quarantine Program, made a written statement to the Board of Inquiry dated 18 August 2020 (referred to in this order as the **Protected Person**). The statement is identified by the page number commencing WIT.0001.0028.0001.
2. The Protected Person intends to give information or evidence to the Board, during the Board's public hearings, for the purposes of the Board's Inquiry.
3. Counsel Assisting the Board of Inquiry (**Board**) applies on behalf of the Protected Person for an order prohibiting:
  - a. publication of the Protected Person's image; and
  - b. publication or use of any information that may identify or tend to identify the Protected Person, including reference to the name of the Protected Person, or any other information that would tend to identify the Protected Person;

in connection with the Inquiry or the matters which are the subject of the Inquiry (**Information**).

4. Having regard to the information provided by Counsel Assisting in support of the application and section 73(2)(a) and (e) of the *Inquiries Act 2014* (**Inquiries Act**), the Board finds that it is appropriate to prohibit publication of the Information.
5. The Board has accordingly determined to grant the application.



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**ORDER**

1. Pursuant to section 73 of the *Inquiries Act 2014*:
  - a. publication of the Protected Person's image;
  - b. publication or use of any information that may identify or tend to identify the Protected Person (including reference to the name of the Protected Person, or any other information that would tend to identify the Protected Person),

in connection with the Inquiry or the matters which are the subject of the Inquiry is prohibited.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020

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The Honourable Jennifer Coate AO  
Board of Inquiry into the COVID-19 Hotel Quarantine Program