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Attorney-General's Department

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Committee Secretary
Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services
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Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Committee Secretary

Correction of Evidence – Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services inquiry into the Corporations Amendment (Improving Outcomes for Litigation Funding Participants) Bill 2021

I am writing to correct evidence I gave to the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Corporations and Financial Services during the Committee's public hearing on Friday, 12 November 2021.

On page 67 of the transcript, in response to a question from Committee member Mr Julian Hill MP regarding an opinion provided by former Solicitor-General Mr Justin Gleeson SC on the Corporations Amendment (Improving Outcomes for Litigation Funding Participants) Bill 2021, I said:

Dr Smrdel: *I can only respond and say that we received a copy of the former Solicitor-General's advice today, so we haven't had an opportunity to go through it wholly and compare it with the advices that we have.*

I correct my evidence, as follows:

The former Solicitor-General's opinion was contained within the Association of Litigation Funding Australia and International Litigation Partners submission (Submission 20) to the Bill inquiry which was made publicly available and was first accessed by the Department on 8 November 2021.

The action officer for this matter is Anshu De Silva Wijeyeratne who can be contacted on [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely

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