



THE SENATE

**LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS REFERENCES COMMITTEE**

**The matter of a popular vote, in the form of a plebiscite or referendum, on the matter of marriage in Australia**

**PUBLIC HEARING  
Thursday 10 September 2015**

**Committee room 2S3  
Parliament House, Canberra**

| <b>Time</b> | <b>Witness</b>  |
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| 3.45 pm     | <p><b>Panel:</b><br/><b>Public Law &amp; Policy Research Unit, The University of Adelaide</b> (<i>Submission 2</i>)<br/>Dr Adam Webster, Lecturer</p> <p><b>Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law, UNSW (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 11</i>)<br/>Professor Andrew Lynch</p> <p><b>Castan Centre for Human Rights Law - (via videoconference)</b> (<i>Submission 12</i>)<br/>Associate Professor Paula Gerber, Deputy Director</p> <p><b>Human Rights Law Centre</b> (<i>Submission 33</i>)<br/>Ms Anna Brown, Director</p> <p><b>Ambrose Centre</b> (<i>Submission 35</i>)<br/>Mr Rocco Mimmo, Founder &amp; Chairman</p>   |
| 4.30 pm     | <p><b>Panel:</b><br/><b>Australian Christian Lobby (No submission)</b><br/>Mr Lyle Shelton, Managing Director</p> <p><b>Australian Catholic Bishops Conference</b> (<i>Submission 24</i>)<br/>Mr Jeremy Stuparich, Public Policy Director</p> <p><b>Australian Family Association (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 16</i>)<br/>Ms Terri Kelleher, Victorian President</p> <p><b>Family Life International Australia (via videoconference) (No Submission)</b><br/>Mr Paul Hanrahan, Executive Director</p> <p><b>FamilyVoice Australia (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 23</i>)<br/>Dr David Phillips, National Director</p> <p><b>Lawyers for the Preservation of the Definition of Marriage (via teleconference) (Submission 20)</b><br/>Mr Christopher Brohier, Founding Lawyer<br/>Professor Michael Quinlan, Senior Member</p> |

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| 5.15 pm        | <p><b>Panel:</b><br/> <b>NSW Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby</b> (<i>Submission 14</i>)<br/>                 Dr Justin Koonin, Convenor</p> <p><b>NSW Parliamentary Working Group on Marriage Equality</b> (<i>Submission 27</i>)<br/>                 The Hon. Trevor Khan MLC<br/>                 The Hon. Penny Sharpe MLC</p> <p><b>Australian Marriage Equality</b> (<i>Submission 17</i>)<br/>                 Mr Rodney Croome, National Director</p> <p><b>Victorian Gay &amp; Lesbian Rights Lobby</b> (<i>Submission 29</i>)<br/>                 Mr Sean Mulcahy, Co-Convenor</p> <p><b>Rainbow Families Council (via videoconference)</b> (<i>Submission 13</i>)<br/>                 Mr Brian Barry, Co-Convenor<br/>                 Ms Amelia Bassett, Co-Convenor</p> <p><b>Brisbane LGBTIQ Action Group (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 34</i>)<br/>                 Mr Phillip Browne, Convenor</p> |
| <b>6.00 pm</b> | <b>Dinner break</b>   |
| 6.45 pm        | <p><b>Gay and Lesbian Health Victoria</b> (<i>Submission 28</i>)<br/>                 Mr William Leonard, Director</p> <p><b>Psychologists for Marriage Equality (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 30</i>)<br/>                 Mr Ben Callegari, Clinical Psychologist/Spokesperson</p> <p><b>Australian Psychological Society</b> (<i>Submission 31</i>)<br/>                 Dr Sharon Dane, Member (via teleconference)<br/>                 Dr Liz Short, Member</p>   |
| 7.30 pm        | <p><b>Professor Anne Twomey (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 6</i>)</p> <p><b>Professor Geoffrey Lindell AM (via teleconference)</b> (<i>Submission 4</i>)</p> <p><b>Professor George Williams (via videoconference)</b> (<i>Submission 32</i>)</p>  |
| 8.30 pm        | <p><b>Australian Electoral Commission</b> (<i>Submission 26</i>)<br/>                 Mr Tom Rogers, Australian Electoral Commissioner<br/>                 Mr Paul Pirani, Chief Legal Officer</p>   |
| <b>9.30 pm</b> | <b>Adjournment</b>  |