



THE SENATE

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017

**PUBLIC HEARING
Friday 23 February 2018**

**Edinburgh Room
Stamford Plaza Melbourne, 111 Little Collins Street, Melbourne**

Inquiry into the Family Law Amendment (Family Violence and Other Measures) Bill 2017 and the Family Law Amendment (Parenting Management Hearings) Bill 2017

| Time | Witness |
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| 9.00 am | Victoria Legal Aid (Submission 11 Family Violence) Ms Gayathri Paramasivam, Associate Director, Family Law Ms Amy Schwebel, Strategy Manager, Family Youth & Children's Law |
| 9.30 am | Women's Legal Services Australia (partially via teleconference) (Submission 17) Ms Liz Snell, Convenor Ms Helen Matthews, Principal Lawyer/Director Legal & Policy - Women's Legal Service Victoria Women's Legal Services Australia (partially via teleconference) (Submission 15 Family Violence) Ms Liz Snell, Convenor Ms Helen Matthews, Principal Lawyer/Director Legal & Policy - Women's Legal Service Victoria |
| 10.15 am | <i>Morning tea</i> |
| 10.45 am | Eastern Domestic Violence Service Inc. (EDVOS) (Submission 11) Ms Paula Piccinini, General Manager, Direct Services |
| 11.30 am | safe steps Family Violence Response Centre (Submission 18) Ms Annette Gillespie, Chief Executive Officer Ms Meghan Hopper, Chief Policy Officer safe steps Family Violence Response Centre (Submission 12 Family Violence) Ms Annette Gillespie, Chief Executive Officer Ms Meghan Hopper, Chief Policy Officer |
| 12.15 pm | <i>Lunch</i> |

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| 1.15 pm | <p>Victorian Family Law Bar Association (<i>Submission 23</i>) Mr Geoffrey Dickson QC, Chair, Family Law Bar Association</p> <p>Law Council of Australia (<i>Submission 20</i>) Mr Morry Bailes, President Ms Wendy Kayler-Thomson, Chair, Family Law Section</p> <p>Law Council of Australia (Submission 13 Family Violence) Mr Morry Bailes, President Ms Wendy Kayler-Thomson, Chair, Family Law Section</p> |
| 2.00 pm | <p>Relationships Australia Victoria (<i>Submission 6</i>) Dr Andrew Bickerdike, Chief Executive Officer</p> |
| 2.30 pm | <i>Afternoon tea</i> |
| 2.45 pm | <p>Tasmania Police (via teleconference) (Submission 16 Family Violence) Senior Sergeant Luke Manhood, Legislation Development and Review Services</p> |
| 3.15 pm | <p>Attorney-General's Department (<i>Submission 26</i>) Mr Cameron Gifford, First Assistant Secretary Ms Ashleigh Saint, Assistant Secretary Ms Dianne Orr, Principle Legal Officer</p> |
| 4.15 pm | <i>Adjournment</i> |