Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Agency - Fair Work Building and Construction

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Question

FWBC - DBM Independent Consultants - misconduct

Senator CAMERON: Is this the same Dave Madden who in 2005 was found guilty of misconduct by the New South Wales Police Integrity Commission for leaking the contents of secret telephone taps deployed during an investigation of allegations of gang rape involving the Canterbury Bulldogs football club?

Mr Hadgkiss: I am aware of that, yes.

Senator CAMERON: So you knew that he had been found guilty of misconduct by the New

South Wales Police Integrity Commission? Ms Cato: Did you say he was found guilty?

Senator CAMERON: Yes. He was found guilty of misconduct.

Mr Hadgkiss: I will take that on notice.

Senator CAMERON: You will take it on notice?

Mr Hadgkiss: Yes. I am advised that DBM does work for Centrelink, the Department of—

Senator CAMERON: No, that is not what I am asking.

Mr Hadgkiss: Let me just go back to your first question. It has done work for Centrelink, the Department of Defence, the Department of Human Services and a number of other agencies.

Senator CAMERON: I wonder if they know that he was found guilty of misconduct.

Mr Hadgkiss: I am familiar with the allegation but, as my colleague said, I am not sure of

whether that was actually determined or not.

Answer

I am aware of the allegations against Mr Madden. As far as I am aware, no finding of guilt against Mr Madden in relation to misconduct has been made.

I understand that no charges were laid by the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions. I am unaware of whether New South Wales Police took reviewable action against former Deputy Commission Madden.