Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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Agency - Australian Building and Construction Commission

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Question

ABCC - Disciplining Inspectors

The Setka, Hudson, Shearer and Theodorou cases all exposed ABCC inspectors acting in a provocative and aggressive manner. Has there been any attempt to discipline those inspectors as a result of the exposure of their conduct in the various court cases including issues relating to destruction of evidence, alteration of evidence, retention of evidence and the management of cases?

Answer

In relation to the Shearer and Theodorou matters, the ABCC has no information indicating that ABC Inspectors acted in the manner described.

With regard to the Setka/Hudson matter, the ABCC will wait until it has the findings of the Australian Government Solicitor's inquiry before committing to any further actions.