

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ROYAL COMMISSION  
INTO FAMILY VIOLENCE**

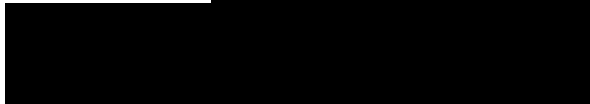
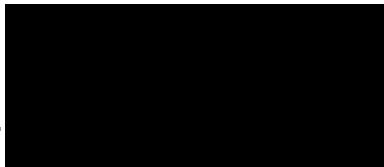
**ATTACHMENT WS-9 TO STATEMENT OF WENDY MAREE STEENDAM**

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Attachment WS-9

## ***Intervention Order data 2004-2005***

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- The 'Crimes (Family Violence) Act' was the relevant legislation
- Source : Magistrates' Court of Victoria Annual Report 1 July 2004- 30 June 2005

### Quote from Annual Report

"During 2004-5 the number of complaints for an intervention order commenced in court increased by 15.7% totalling 24060, compared with 20,789 in 2003-04. This increase was largely driven by Victoria Police as a result of the introduction of the Code of Practice for the Investigation of Family Violence in September 2004."

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### DATA FACTS: In 2004/05

**18, 511** Family Violence applications were finalised

*NB: Finalising an order does not necessarily mean an order was made. The application may have been withdrawn, struck out or adjourned*

**Mode of application:** There is no information available in relation to the mode of application for these orders, ie police vs privately initiated.

**Secondary applications :** Of these, 2306 secondary applications to vary ( 888 ) or extend ( 514) or revoke ( 904) were made.

*Please note:*

*As an IVO is a court order, issued in a Magistrates' Court, the Department of Justice is the appropriate agency to contact for a comprehensive statistical breakdown.*

## *Intervention Order data 2008-2009*

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- The Crimes (Family Violence) Act 1987 was repealed mid - way through this financial year
- The 'Family Violence Protection Act' 2008 was the relevant legislation – it commenced on 8 December 2008. Among other things, it expanded the definition of 'family member', further defined FV to include controlling & economically abusive behaviours and allowed applications for IVO's to be made by FVSN. It also allowed a court to vary, revive, suspend or discharge a Family Law Act order to better protect children. It provided for new charges for contravention of IVO or FVSN.
- Source : Magistrates' Court of Victoria Annual Report 1 July 2008-30 June 2009

### DATA FACTS: In 2008/09

**25,854** Family Violence applications were finalised

*NB: Finalising an order does not necessarily mean an order was made. The application may have been withdrawn, struck out or adjourned*

**Mode of application :** There is no information available in relation to the mode of application for these orders, ie police vs privately initiated .

**Secondary applications :** There is no information available in relation to the number of secondary applications to vary, extend or revoke these orders.

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## *Intervention Order data 2013-2014*

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- The Family Violence Protection Act is the relevant legislation
- Source : Magistrates' Court of Victoria Annual Report 1 July 2013-30 June 2014

### DATA FACTS: In 2013/14

**29, 978** Family Violence applications were finalised

*NB: Finalising an order does not necessarily mean an order was made. The application may have been withdrawn, struck out or adjourned*

**Mode of application:** there were

23, 210 commenced by Police applicants

11, 925 commenced by private application

**Secondary applications:** Of these, secondary applications to vary ( 3047) revoke (783) or extend (1327) were made. Other applications may have been refused, or orders revoked.

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