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Committee Secretary
Senate Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee
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CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Committee Secretary

## Clarification to Hansard – Additional Estimates hearing on 15 February 2022

I am writing to provide a clarification to evidence I gave to the Senate Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs during the Additional Estimates hearing on 15 February 2022.

On pages 32 and 35 of the transcript, in response to questions from Senator Thorpe regarding surveys of legal need, I said:

**Mr Nott:** I think the last major national survey of legal need was conducted in 2010 or 2012 – (p32)

**Mr Nott:** The last national survey of unmet legal need was conducted by the Law and Justice Foundation of New South Wales. It was based on data collected in 2010, then analysed and reported around 2012. (p35)

I wish to clarify that the fieldwork interviews to collect data for the Legal Australia-Wide Survey were conducted between January and November 2008.<sup>1</sup>

The action officer for this matter is

who can be contacted on

Yours sincerely

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Coumarelos, C, Macourt, D, People, J, MacDonald, HM, Wei, Z, Iriana, R & Ramsey, S, 2012, *Legal Australia-Wide Survey: Legal need in Australia*, Law and Justice Foundation of NSW, Sydney, p53.