

20th March, 2012

Ms Lyn Beverley
Secretary
Joint Select Committee on Gambling Reform
Department of the Senate
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Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Ms Beverley,

Thank you for inviting me to submit information to the Joint Select Committee On Gambling Reform.

I've been involved with problem gambling and addiction clinics for some years now. Firstly with the Sydney Problem Gambling Centre as a member of the Board of Management, thence, on the Board of Foundation House Rehabilitation Centre and currently as the Founder and Chairman of Oakdene House Foundation (an outpatient rehabilitation centre dealing with the issues relating to the addictions of alcohol and gambling). I also have a close association with the world expert on addictions Dr. Rob Hunter who is the founder of the world's first Problem Gambling Clinic located in Las vegas. For your perusal please find enclosed:

- A CD called "One Day at a Time" which is a documentary/interview with Dr. Rob Hunter and two (2) gambling addicts who are in long-term recovery.
- A brief paper diarising information and experiences I have attained via my numerous visits and attendance to clinician sessions at the Las Vegas Problem Gambling Centre.
- Flyers pertaining to Oakdene House Foundation and its services.
- Booklet on Problem Gambling and the Law. An information and Resource Guide (Nevada USA).

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Should you wish to contact me in regards to this or any other information please do not hesitate to do so.

Regards,

Anthony Sobb **Chairman**