

List of Witnesses

Canberra, 31 October 1996

Attorney-General's Department

Dr Margaret Browne, First Assistant Secretary, Legal Aid and Family Services

Ms Coleen Clare, Director, Coordination & Development, Family Services Branch, Legal Aid & Family Services

Ms Helen Hambling, Assistant Secretary, Family Services Branch

Canberra, 7 November 1996

Family Services Council

Ms Dale Bagshaw, Chairperson

Ms Rose Beynon, Executive Officer

Relationships Australia National Office

Mrs Gail Bateman, National Projects Officer

Ms Elizabeth Seddon, Director, Canberra and Region

Centacare Australia Ltd & the Australian Catholic Social Welfare Commission

Mr Neil Harrigan, Deputy Chair

Mr Paul Tyrrell, National Executive Officer

Centacare Wollongong

Ms Kathleen McCormack, Director

Hobart, 11 November 1996

Centacare Family Services

Sister Philippa Chapman, Executive Director

Reverend Father Clement Kilby, Director

Ms Anne Matuszek, Coordinator, Marriage Education

Catholic Women's League of Australia

Mrs Mary Campbell, National President

Mrs Eris Smyth, National Secretary

Australian Federation of Deaf Societies

Mr Gregory Keane, Secretary/Treasurer

Mr John Lovett AM, Member

Community Mediation Service Tasmania (Inc)

Ms Karen Gunning, Family and Child Mediator

Ms Carla Wisenbeek, Mediation Manager

Melbourne, 12 November 1996

The Australian Federation of Civil Celebrants Inc

Mr Dally Messenger, President & Administrator

Association of Civil Marriage Celebrants of Victoria

Mrs Gwenda Foard, Vice-President

Mr Robert Ross, Immediate Past Secretary

Mr Robert Stephenson, President

Family Court of Australia

Dr Carole Brown, Principal Director of Court Counselling, Office of the Chief Executive

Mr Leonard Glare, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Margaret Harrison, Senior Legal Advisor

Justice Nahum Mushin, Judge

Chief Justice Alastair Nicholson, Chief Justice

Anglican Marriage Education & Counselling

Ms Meredith Edgar, Executive Director

Catholic Family Welfare Bureau

Ms Rosalie Hearne, Branch Manager and Community Development Program Manager

Noble Park Family Mediation

Mr Alan Campbell, Director

Relationships Australia Victoria Inc.

Ms Susan Gribben, Executive Director, Victorian Directors of Family Services

Mr Michael Hunt, Director, Family Mediation

Mr Terence Melvin, Manager, Family Violence Prevention Program

Bethany Family Support Inc.

Ms Angela Duns-Lowe, Team Leader, Family Education

Mr Frank Giggins, Coordinator, Relationship Education Program

Shop, Distributive & Allied Employees' Association

Mr Ian Blandthorn, National Assistant Secretary

Jewish Community Services Inc.

Mrs Miriam Suss, Director, Social Work Services

Individuals

Mr Bruce Findlay

Australian Institute of Family Studies

Dr Harry McGurk, Director

Mrs Ilene Wolcott, Senior Research Fellow

Sydney, 13 November 1996

Anglican Counselling Centre

Reverend Michael Corbett-Jones, Director

National Alternative Dispute Resolution Advisory Council

Professor Hilary Astor, Chairperson

Attorney-General's Department

Mrs Jennifer Boland, Chairperson, Family Law Council

Family Services Australia Ltd

Mr Clive Price, Vice-President

Individuals

Associate Professor Ailsa Burns

Dr Rosemary Dunlop

Uniting Church, Board of Education

Mrs Marilyn Hendy, Administrator, Growing Together in Marriage Programs
Mrs Jillian Robertson, Leader, To Have and To Hold Marriage Education Program
Association of All Authorised Civil Marriage Celebrants Nationwide Inc.
Mrs Leonie Hill, President

Law Society of New South Wales
Mr Robert Benjamin, Member, Family Law Committee

Humanist Celebrant Network
Ms Affie Adagio, Committee Member
Mrs Joyce Edmonds, Member
Mr Samuel Helprin, Coordinator
Mrs Sheila Helprin, Adviser on Celebrants' Proposed Training Courses
Mr John Hill, Member

Marriage Educators Association of Australia Inc.
Mrs Gerlinde Spencer, Immediate Past President and Committee Member

Family Life Movement of Australia (NSW Branch)
Mr Paul Hulbert, Manager, Training and Transport Activities
Reverend Tibor Mokany, Manager, Counselling and Mediation Services

Melbourne, 25 November 1996

Focus on the Family Australia
Mr William Muehlenberg, National Research Coordinator
Mr Glenn Williams, Executive Director

Individuals
Dr Moira Eastman

Victorian Board of Studies, Healthy Families Project
Ms Delyce Dalton, Project Officer
Mr William Tickell, Director

Salvation Army Crossroads Project & Housing and Support Network
Ms Billi Clarke, Domestic Violence Outreach Worker
Ms Margaret Hamley, Manager, Housing and Crisis Services
Ms Jenny Plant, Manager, Crisis Services Network
Ms Maggie Toko, Manager, Youth Services

Family Relationships Institute Inc
Mr Don Burnard, Director

Southern Family Life Service Association Inc.
Ms Diana Anderson, Acting Clinical Supervisor
Ms Jo Cavanagh, Director
Ms Maryanne
Ms Tessa

Catholic Engaged Encounter Oceania
Mrs Jacquelyn Greely, Member - Liaison Team
Mr John Greely, Member - Liaison Team
Reverend Tony Kerin, Liaison Team Priest

University of Melbourne, History Department
Dr Maila Stivens, Director of Women's Studies

Catholic Family Welfare Bureau

Mrs Denise Lacey, Coordinator Marriage and Relationship Education

National Anglican Caring Organisation Network (NACON)

Mr Peter Fisher, Executive Member

Ms Susan Kirkegard, Executive Officer

Children's Homes and Family Services Inc.

Mr Kevin Zibell, Client Services Manager Ballarat

Adelaide, 26 November 1996

University of South Australia, Centre for Research in Education, Equity & Work

Dr Roger Harris, Director

Ms Michele Simons, Researcher & Lecturer

Lutheran Community Care

Mrs Colleen Fitzpatrick, Director

Mrs Helen Lockwood, Coordinator of Marriage Education Program

Mr Wayne Maddox, Manager of Helping Services

Anglican Community Services

Mrs Elizabeth Alvey, Treasurer/Secretary, Marriage Educators Association of Australia

Mrs Gillian Mickan, President, Marriage Educators Association of Australia

National Council of Single Mothers and Their Children

Ms Kay Buckley, Co-Executive Officer

Ms Elspeth McInnes, Co-Executive Officer

Northern Suburbs Family Resource Centre

Ms Alice Hodgson, Manager

Brisbane, 28 November 1996

Anglican Family Care

Mr Andrew De'Ambrosis, Co-Director

Mrs Alison Dorman, Co-Director

Redlands Domestic Violence Service

Ms Pauline Eglington, Relief Coordinator

Couples for Marriage Enrichment Australia (Qld)

Mr Lloyd Breusch, Joint Chair

Mrs Lynette Breusch, Joint Chair

Prepare/Enrich Australian National Office

Mr John Robson, National Administrator

Mens Help Line Association

Mr Trevor Ozanne, Committee Member

Mr Peter Rohan, President

Sunnybank Family Support Inc

Mrs Judith Mayfield, Coordinator Family Skills Training Program

Ms Susan Stephenson, Director

Miss Elisabeth Thomasson, Family Skills Facilitator & Trainer

Caxton Legal Centre

Ms Barbara Hook, General Law Solicitor
Ms Merran Lawler, Director/Solicitor

Women's Legal Service

Ms Deidre Doherty, Domestic Violence Worker Windana Women's Shelter
Ms Amanda McNulty, Community Worker Violence Against Non-English
Background Group
Ms Zoe Rathus, Legal Coordinator

Domestic Violence Service Gold Coast, Queensland

Ms Betty Taylor, Coordinator

Relationships Australia Queensland Inc.

Mr Ian Macdonald, Executive Director

Relationships Australia National Office

Ms Helen Disney, National Director

Boystown National Community Projects

Ms Julie Clark, Director of Counselling

Individuals

Mrs Janet Iwanow

Perth, 18 April 1997

Relationships Australia Western Australia

Mr James Hall, Executive Director

Ms Lucy Henry, Coordinator Build Better Relationships Project and Promotions

Ms Helen McCarthy, Manager Couple and Family Counselling Program

Health Department of Western Australia

Ms Anwen Williams, Senior Project Officer Mental Health Program, Health Enhancement
Team, Health Promotions Branch

TVW Telethon Institute for Child Health Research

Mr Sven Silburn, Consultant Clinical Psychologist

Associate Professor Stephen Zubrick, Head Division of Psychosocial Research

Wesley Mission

Mrs Elizabeth Dalzell, Contract Educator People In Harmony

Cairns, 2 May 1997

Family Unity and Equality

Mr Gregory Edwards, Secretary

Mr Colin Fryer, Member

Mr Barry Maslen, Member

Mr Philip McLuskey, Information Officer

Lifeline Far North Queensland

Reverend Milton Drake, Director (CEO)

St John's House Crisis Accommodation and Support Centre

Mr Rocco Fammartino, Coordinator

St Margaret's House Crisis Accommodation and Support Centre

Ms Faye McLucas, Coordinator

Cairns Community Legal Centre
Mr James Gibney, Managing Solicitor

North Queensland Womens Legal Service
Ms Ruth Venables, Principal Solicitor

Melbourne, 28 July 1997

Broadmeadows Family Services, Anglicare Victoria
Ms Jillian Rose, Regional Manager

Children's Protection Society
Ms Patricia Jewell, Parent Resource Coordinator

Family Court of Australia
Justice Alan Barblett, Acting Chief Justice
Dr Carole Brown, Principal Director of Court Counselling Office of the Chief Executive
Justice Nahum Mushin, Judge

Institute for American Values
Mr David Blankenhorn, President

Canberra, 30 October 1997

Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department
Dr Margaret Browne, First Assistant Secretary, Legal Aid and Family Services
Ms Helen Hambling, Assistant Secretary, Family Services Branch, Legal Aid and Family Services

Darwin, 6 November 1997

Anglicare Top End
Mr Peter Fisher, Director
Mrs Susan Murdoch, Family Skills Worker
Mr Murabuda Wurramarrba, Community Leader
Mrs Dilyumara Wurramarrba

Sydney, 20 March 1998

Jansen Newman Institute
Dr Thomas Jansen, Director
Mrs Margaret Newman, Managing Director

Keys Young
Ms Frances Haynes, Senior Researcher
Ms Janette Lord, Consultant
Mr John Schwartzkoff, Director
Ms Alison Wallace, Associate Director

NAPCAN-Good Beginnings
Ms Diana Ewins, National Manager Community Relations
Ms Barbara Wellesley, National Project Director

Seasons for Growth Mackillop Foundation
Mrs Josephine Lonergan, Chairperson Seasons for Growth Advisory Committee

Canberra, 2 April 1998

Commonwealth Attorney-General's Department

Dr Margaret Browne, First Assistant Secretary, Legal Aid and Family Services

Ms Helen Hambling, Assistant Secretary, Family Services Branch, Legal Aid and Family Services