

# **APPENDIX 2**

## **Public hearings**

*Monday, 16 February 2015*

*Pan Pacific Hotel, Perth*

### **Witnesses**

#### **Ombudsman Western Australia**

FIELD, Mr Chris, Ombudsman

LAZENBY, Ms Kim, Assistant Ombudsman (Administrative Improvement)

WEST, Ms Belinda, Assistant Ombudsman (Monitoring)

#### **Western Australian Council of Social Service**

TWOMEY, Mr Chris, Director of Policy

#### **Children's Youth and Families Agency Association**

WILKINSON, Ms Judith Loraine, State Director, Key Assets WA; and Chair

#### **Alliance for Children at Risk**

GEANEY, Mr Michael, Chair

WHITE, Ms Gail, Secretariat

#### **Wanslea Family Services and Child and Family Welfare Association of Australia**

MURRAY, Ms Patricia, Chief Executive Officer, Wanslea Family Services; and  
Chair, Child and Family Welfare Association of Australia

#### **Parkerville Children and Youth Care**

HANNA, Mr Basil Martin, Chief Executive Officer

#### **Family Inclusion Network of Western Australia Inc.**

CROSSLEY, Ms Karen May, Private capacity and Parent Representative on  
Management Committee of Family Inclusion Network of Western Australia Inc

HENDERSON, Ms Debbie May, Executive Officer

#### **Aboriginal Legal Service of Western Australia Inc.**

ANDERSON, Mr Neil David, Managing Solicitor, Family Law Unit

#### **Aboriginal Family Law Services (WA)**

COWLEY, Ms Mary, Chief Executive Officer

SMITH, Ms Andrea, Policy and Compliance Coordinator

**Community Sector Roundtable for NGOs and Government**

HANNA, Mr Basil Martin, Chairman

**Western Australian Department for Child Protection and Family Support**

GARSED, Ms Judith Anne, Advocate for Children in Care

**Department for Child Protection and Family Support**

WHITE, Ms Emma, Director General

*Wednesday, 18 February 2015*

*The Portside Centre, Sydney*

**Witnesses**

**Australian Human Rights Commission**

MITCHELL, Ms Megan, National Children's Commissioner

**Shoalcoast Community Legal Centre**

McLAINE, Ms Meredith, Solicitor

WRIGHT, Ms Kerry, Coordinator

**Family Inclusion Strategies Hunter**

COCKS, Ms Jessica, Convenor

BAIN, Ms Teegan, Committee Member

KIME, Ms Felicity, Committee Member

**AbSec**

CLARKE, Ms Dana, Chairperson

**Indigenous Issues Committee, Law Society of New South Wales**

MARSHALL, Dr Virginia, Committee Member and Acting Chair

**Jumbunna Indigenous House of Learning Research Unit, University of Technology Sydney**

GIBSON, Mr Padraic John, Senior Researcher

**Winangay Resources**

BLACKLOCK, Aunty Suzanne, Chairperson

BONSER, Mrs Gillian, Board Member, Co-founder and Developer

HAYDEN, Ms Paula Marie, Public Officer

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**Grandmothers Against Removals**

SWAN, Ms Debra, Representative  
TIGHE, Ms Suellen, Representative  
WIGHTMAN, Ms, Member

**Aboriginal Child, Family and Community State Secretariat (NSW)**

HERMESTON, Ms Wendy, Adviser

**Intellectual Disability Rights Service**

SANDLER, Ms Marissa, Solicitor

**People with Disability Australia**

BARNES, Dr Susan, Manager Individual and Group Advocacy New South Wales  
BEVAN, Ms Ngila, Human Rights Adviser

**Yfoundations**

FIELDING, Ms Jessica, Policy Officer

**UnitingCare Children, Young People and Families**

BEAUCHAMP, Ms Toni, Principal Policy Officer  
ADAMS, Ms Angela, Practice Manager Out-of-Home Care, UnitingCare Burnside

**Association of Children's Welfare Agencies Inc.**

McCALLUM, Mr Andrew George, AM, Chief Executive Officer

**Barnardos Australia**

VOIGT, Mrs Louise, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Welfare

**Benevolent Society**

GARDINER, Mr Matthew Gerard, Executive Director, Community Services  
WHEATLEY, Mrs Marie, Director, Out of Home Care

**Life Without Barriers**

McKINNON, Ms Mary Elizabeth, National Director of Practice and Quality

**Settlement Services International**

FERRER, Mr Joseph, Manager, Business and Community Development  
NGUYEN, Mr Thanh, Manager, Early Intervention and Capacity Building

**Department of Family and Community Services, New South Wales**

WALK, Ms Maree, Deputy Secretary, Programs and Service Design  
HERIOT, Dr Sandra, Acting Executive Director, Child Safety and Permanency

*Thursday, 12 March 2015*

*Parliament of Tasmania, Hobart*

**Witnesses**

**Commissioner for Children Tasmania**

MORRISSEY, Mr Mark, Commissioner

**Salvation Army Tasmania Division**

FOSTER, Mr Stuart, Divisional Social Program Secretary

COOPER, Mr Justin, Program Manager, Therapeutic Youth Residential Service

COWLEY, Mr Leith, Manager, Children and Family Stream

**Foster Care Association of Tasmania**

FLACK, Mr John, President

BACKHOUSE, Dr Kim, Chief Executive Officer

**GREGSON, Ms Brooke, Private capacity**

**SHORT, Ms Jarcinta, Private capacity**

**SHORT, Ms Sarah, Private capacity**

**Kennerley Children's Homes Inc.**

TITMUS, Mr Barry, General Manager

O'BRIEN, Mrs Carleene, Operations Manager

**FRASER, Mr Adam, Private capacity**

*Friday, 20 March 2015*

*Monash Conference Centre, Melbourne*

**Witnesses**

**Australian Institute of Family Studies**

HIGGINS, Dr Daryl, Deputy Director, Research

**Mirabel Foundation**

CHATTEY, Ms Ruth, Family Support Coordinator

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McCREA, Ms Elizabeth, Advocacy and Family Support

**International Social Service Australia**

FRERIS, Ms Helen, National Services Manager

**Baptcare**

ROBINETTE, Ms Hayley, Operations Manager

SCOTT, Ms Marita, General Manager Family and Community Services

**Berry Street**

POCOCK, Mr Julian, Director, Public Policy

PELL, Ms Anita, Senior Adviser, Home Based Care

**MacKillop Family Services**

FOX, Mr David, Director of Operations

HALFPENNY, Dr Nicholas, Director of Policy and Quality

**Wesley Mission Victoria**

STANTON, Ms Kelly, General Manager Services

HAM, Mr Jerry, Senior Manager, Children Youth and Families

**MENDES, Associate Professor Philip, Department of Social Work, Monash University**

**National Disability Services**

ANGLEY, Ms Philippa, Executive Officer to the Chief Executive

THOMPSON, Ms Tessa, National Policy Manager

**Centre for Excellence in Child and Family Welfare**

TSORBARIS, Ms Deborah Mary Elaine, Chief Executive Officer

WEBSTER, Ms Marilyn Jane, Director, Social Policy and Research

FINN, Ms Kate

ISIP, Ms Sarah

SPICER, Ms India

**Foster Care Association of Victoria**

HOOPER, Ms Katie, Chief Executive Officer

**University of Melbourne Department of Social Work, Child, Youth and Families Research Cluster**

KIRALY, Ms Meredith, Research Fellow

**Access and Achievement Research Unit, La Trobe University**

HARVEY, Dr Andrew Charles, Director, Access and Achievement Research Unit, La Trobe University

**Melbourne City Mission**

CHUDIAK, Ms Sonia, Senior Manager, Homelessness and Accommodation Services  
FEWSTER, Ms Deborah, Head of Policy and Government Relations

**Anglicare Victoria**

McDONALD, Mr Paul, CEO

**Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care**

HYTTEN, Mr Frank Isidore, Chief Executive Officer

**Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency Co-Op Ltd**

SALAMONE, Mrs Connie, Executive Director, Strategy and Services

**Commission for Children and Young People Victoria**

KENNEDY, Ms Janette Elizabeth, Manager Aboriginal Strategy and Policy  
PRATT, Ms Debra Bronwyn, Senior Child Protection Advisor (Aboriginal Unit)

**Connecting Home Ltd**

DOMMETT, Mr John Robin, Chief Executive Officer, Connecting Home Ltd, and Co-Chair—non-Aboriginal

**Institute of Child Protection Studies, Australian Catholic University and University of Melbourne**

HUMPHREYS, Professor Cathy, Professor of Social Work, University of Melbourne  
KERTESZ, Dr Margaret, Research Fellow, School of Social Work, University of Melbourne

**Connections UnitingCare**

MILANI, Ms Lisa, Acting Assistant Regional Manager

**Ozchild**

MITCHELL, Dr Gaye, Research and Practice Enhancement Manager

**Family Inclusion Network Victoria Inc.**

SMITH, Mrs Denise Kelly, Secretary and Treasurer  
FITT, Ms Kate, Committee Member  
Sarah, Member

**Commission for Children and Young People**

GEARY, Mr Bernie, Principal Commissioner

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KENNEDY, Ms Janette Elizabeth, Manager, Aboriginal Strategy and Policy

*Wednesday, 1 April 2015*

*Rydges Darwin Airport Resort, Darwin*

**Witnesses**

**Northern Territory Department of Children and Families**

BRADFORD, Ms Anne, Chief Executive Officer

JACKSON, Ms Simone Louise, Executive Director, Out-of-Home Care

**Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council**

STANLEY, Ms Hannah, Child Advocacy Officer

KEAN, Ms Melissa Anne, Child and Family Wellbeing Service Manager

*Thursday, 2 April 2015*

*Rydges Darwin Airport Resort, Darwin*

**Witnesses**

**Northern Territory Council of Social Service Incorporated**

MORTON, Ms Wendy, Executive Director

**Anglicare NT**

PUGH, Mr David, Chief Executive Officer

**North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency**

COLLINS, Ms Priscilla, Chief Executive Officer

SHARP, Mr Jared, Law and Justice Projects Manager

MUSK, Ms Shahleena, Senior Youth Lawyer, Criminal Section

**Northern Territory Legal Aid Commission**

BOLTON, Ms Sally, Acting Manager, Family Law Section

**Katherine Women's Information and Legal Service**

NELSON, Ms Sandra, Executive Officer

LIGHTFOOT, Ms Kate, Outreach Services Solicitor

**Darwin Aboriginal and Islander Women's Shelter Incorporated**

BENNETT, Ms Regina, Manager

**Northern Territory Stolen Generation Aboriginal Corporation**

CUMMINGS, Ms Eileen, Chair

SPRY, Mr Frank, Chief Executive Officer

*Thursday, 16 April 2015*

*Parliament House, Canberra*

**Witnesses**

**Department of Social Services**

BENNETT, Ms Barbara, Deputy Secretary

BROWN, Mr Philip, Acting Group Manager

BYRNE, Mrs Melek, Director, Care Policy and Evidence

**Anglicare Australia**

WATERFORD, Ms Michelle, Director, Research and Policy

**Australian Capital Territory Disability, Aged and Carer Advocacy Service**

MAY, Mrs Fiona, Chief Executive Officer

**Australian Capital Territory Council of Social Service**

HELYAR, Ms Susan, Director

**Salvation Army**

AVENT, Mr John, Manager (Retired), Westcare

**Australian Childhood Trauma Group**

NICOLAU, Mr Gregory, Chief Executive Officer

**Regulatory Institutions Network, Australian National University**

BRAITHWAITE, Professor Valerie, Professor

IVEC, Ms Mary, Researcher



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**Australian Centre for Child Protection, University of South Australia**

McLEAN, Dr Sara, Research Fellow

MEIKSANS, Ms Jenna, Research Assistant and PhD Candidate

**South Coast Medical Service Aboriginal Corporation**

ARDLER, Mr Craig, Chief Executive Officer

**MacKillop Family Services**

JONES, Mr Gerard, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Director of Innovation and Business Development

COUNCILLOR, Mr Ross, Aboriginal Services Development Manager, Western Australia

**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation**

HILLAN, Ms Lisa, Programs Director

**Australian Institute of Health and Welfare**

BOLAND, Ms Justine, Acting Group Head, Community Services and Communication Group

RAITHEL, Ms Kristy, Acting Unit Head, Child Welfare and Prisoner Health Unit

**Productivity Commission**

QUINLIVAN, Mr Daryl, Head of Office

GARNER, Mr David, Research Manager, Social Infrastructure Branch

**Families Australia**

BEDFORD, Ms Helen, Policy Officer

**Australian Association of Social Workers**

WILKINSON, Ms Glenys, Chief Executive Officer

KEARNS, Ms Alison, Expert Witness

**Department for Education and Child Development, South Australia**

HARRISON, Mr Anthony, Chief Executive

SCHEEPERS, Mr Etienne, Deputy Chief Executive, Child Safety

*Friday, 17 April 2015*

*Royal on the Park Hotel, Brisbane*

**Witnesses**

**Australian Legislative Ethics Commission**

MacDONALD, Miss Marney, President

**CREATE Foundation**

HUDSON, Ms Noelle, National Policy and Advocacy Manager

**Miss Adina, Private capacity**

**Miss Brooke, Private capacity**

**Miss Julia, Private capacity**

**Miss Xena, Private capacity**

**Key Assets**

RYAN, Mr Rob, State Director

**Endeavour Foundation**

NUGUS, Mr Simon, National Business Manager, Children, Youth and Education Services

**Carpentaria Disability Services**

CALLANAN, Mr John, Program Manager and Psychologist, Early Intervention Services

**Brisbane Sovereign Grannies Group**

McPHERSON, Ms Toni Susan, Member Spokesperson

FUSI, Ms Karen May, Member Spokesperson

WILLIAMS, Mr Sonny, Member Spokesperson

WILLIAMS, Mrs Cephia Maria, Member Spokesperson

**Alliance for Family Preservation and Restoration**

MOORE Ms Mary, Convenor

**Aboriginal Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service Victoria**

BRAYBROOK, Ms Antoinette, Chief Executive Officer; and National Convenor, National Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Forum

VINES, Ms Laura, Senior Policy Officer

**Victorian Aboriginal Child and Young People's Alliance**

JACKSON, Mr Rodney, Deputy Chairperson

**Queensland Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Child Protection Peak**

LEWIS, Ms Natalie Louise, Chief Executive Officer

**Kummara Association Inc.**

FEATHERSTONE, Mr Gerald, Chief Executive Officer

**Australian Nurse-Family Partnership Program**

DONNELLY, Ms Julianne, Team Leader

**Office of the Public Guardian**

MOYNIHAN, Ms Catherine, Official Solicitor

**Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services**

LUPI, Mr Matthew, Executive Director, Child and Family Services

**Department of Health and Human Services, Tasmania**

KEMP, Mr Anthony Philip, Deputy Secretary, Children and Youth Services