

FORM 37

Rule 60(1)

FINDING INTO DEATH WITH INQUEST

Section 67 of the Coroners Act 2008

Court reference: 2063/10

Inquest into the Death of CONSTANTINOS RETSAS

Delivered On: 21st February 2011

Delivered At: Melbourne

Hearing Dates: 21st February 2011

Findings of: Iain Treloar West

Place of death: 9 Fireball Court, Taylors Lakes, Victoria 3038

PCSU: Senior Constable King Taylor

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In the Coroners Court of Victoria at Melbourne
I, Iain Treloar West, Deputy State Coroner
having investigated the death of:

Details of deceased:

Surname: RETSAS
First name: CONSTANTINOS
Address: 9 Fireball Court, Taylors Lakes, Victoria, 3038

AND having held an inquest in relation to this death on 21st February 2011
at Melbourne
find that the identity of the deceased was CONSTANTINOS RETSAS
and death occurred on the 1st June, 2010

at 9 Fireball Court, Taylors Lakes, Victoria 3038

from

1a. Acute myocardial infarction

in the following circumstances:

1. Constantinos Retsas, aged 60 years, was a client of the Department of Human Services and was residing at a community residential unit in Taylors Lake at the time of his death. He suffered intellectual disability and autism and had been in care since he was 15 years of age. Mr Retsas' health was generally good, however, the day before his death he had attended his local doctor, who prescribed medication for a chest infection.

2. On the 1st June 2010 at approximately 4:50 pm, Mr Retsas left the dining table and went to his bedroom. Shortly thereafter staff were alerted by another client to check on him, and in doing so, found him collapsed on his side in the doorway of his bedroom. Despite immediately requesting ambulance attendance and performing cardio pulmonary resuscitation pending their arrival, Mr Retsas could not be revived.

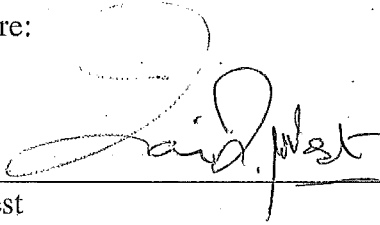
3. On the 7th June 2010, an autopsy examination was performed by Forensic Pathologist, Dr Matthew Lynch, who determined the death was due to an acute myocardial infarction, with clear evidence of thrombosis of the left anterior descending coronary artery.

COMMENT:

Pursuant to section 67(3) of the **Coroners Act 2008**, I make the following comment connected with the death.

The evidence satisfies me that Constantine Retsas died from natural causes with there being no evidence to suggest that his management was other than within the normal parameters of reasonable health care practise.

Signature:



Iain West
Deputy State Coroner
21st February, 2011

