



IN THE CORONERS COURT
OF VICTORIA
AT MELBOURNE

Court reference: COR17/0325
COR17/0327
COR17/0328
COR17/0329
COR17/0343
COR17/0465

**INQUEST INTO THE DEATHS OF MATTHEW (PO CHAUN) SI, THALIA HAKIN,
YOSUKE KANNO, JESSICA MUDIE, ZACHARY MATTHEW BRYANT AND BHAVITA
PATEL**

ORDER

CORONER:

Coroner Jacqui Hawkins

DATE MADE:

2 April 2019

ATTENDANCE:

Mr S O'Meara QC with Mr P Lawrie, counsels assisting
the coroner, instructed by Ms A Kafka, Principal In
House Solicitor, Coroners Court of Victoria

Ms Á McGee QC with Ms B Myers of counsel,
instructed by Ms G Angelowitsch and Ms I McCombe,
Solicitors, Adviceline Injury Lawyers, on behalf of the
families of the deceased

Ms E Gardner of counsel, instructed by Ms S Neal,
Solicitor, the Victorian Government Solicitor's Office,
on behalf of the Department of Justice and Community
Safety

Dr I Freckelton QC of counsel, instructed by Ms J Tribe,
Solicitor, the Victorian Government Solicitor's Office,
on behalf of the Chief Commissioner of Police

Mr T Hutton, Solicitor, Corrs Chambers Westgarth, on
behalf of the Bail Justice

Dr T Alexander with Mr T Antos of counsel on behalf of
Mr Dimitrious Gargasoulas

OTHER MATTERS:


- A. On 2 April 2019, a further Directions Hearing was held into the deaths of Matthew (Po Chaun) Si, Thalia Hakin, Yosuke Kanno, Jessica Mudie, Zachary-Matthew Bryant and Bhavita Patel.
- B. The families of deceased, the Department of Justice and Community Safety, the Chief Commissioner of Police, the Bail Justice and Mr Gargasoulas have been granted leave, in accordance with section 56 of the *Coroners Act 2008*, to appear as interested parties at the inquest.
- C. Mr Gargasoulas shall remain an interested party but is excused from attending and participating in the inquest.

THE COURT ORDERS:

- 1. That the electronic inquest brief will be provided to the legal representatives of the Chief Commissioner of Police by the end of April/early May 2019.
- 2. That the legal representatives of the Chief Commissioner of Police provide to the Coroners Court on 31 May 2019:
 - (i) any application for a Public Interest Immunity or Suppression Order;
 - (ii) affidavit in support of their application (if any);
 - (iii) an electronic version of the inquest brief with the public interest immunity/suppression order areas identified and highlighted for consideration;
 - (iv) a separate electronic version of the inquest brief with the public interest immunity/suppression order areas redacted to be provided to the other interested parties;
 - (v) written submissions of up to five pages directed to the application; and
 - (vi) any additional evidence that they intend to rely upon at inquest.
- 3. That the interested parties be provided with the redacted electronic version of the inquest brief referred to in 2 (iv) above by 7 June 2019.
- 4. That the interested parties provide to the Coroners Court any written submissions of up to five pages and any affidavit or other evidence in support directed to the application by the Chief Commissioner of Police by 19 July 2019.

5. That the Chief Commissioner of Police will provide to the Coroners Court any material in reply, including written submissions of up to five pages, by 8 August 2019.
6. That legal submissions in relation to any application/s will be heard at the Coroners Court at 10.00am on 14 August 2019.
7. That a further Directions Hearing and ruling will be held on a date to be fixed.
8. That the inquest is listed to commence on Monday 18 November 2019 and be heard at the Coroners Court on the following days:
 - (i) 18 November – 20 December 2019.

Signature:



JACQUI HAWKINS

CORONER

Date: 2 April 2019

