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Wed 30 Nov 2022 14:23

claim combining both amounts. Re: New Claim Andrew Laming

Wed 30/11/2022 2:22 PM

To: Pearson, Nicole

<Nicole.Pearson@IPEA.gov.au>

ref: 410649 Dear Nicole,

Nice to chat again, and confirming you are sending through a second claim for about

\$7,000 to

combine with the \$10,360.05 claim. Also, you are getting all paperwork together for us. Therefore, we will hold pending receipt and then

issue proceedings (or send demand letters first) once we have reviewed all docs.

Regards

s22(1)

Wed 30 Nov 2022 14:15 Ta to Nicole Pearson, two points:

s22(1)

The one we have, this one, is only the first one, AUDIT AND RULING,

he has another one coming in next couple of weeks - HE HAS REFUSED TO RESPOND, REG 98 claim, another \$7,000.00

She will arrange 2 Affidavits, and combine

Also the Ombudsman is going to close the matter as no case to answer

Parliam res act section 37 right of Review

Hold until we receive all info, then increase claim by the second amount

Tue 29 Nov 2022 10:39

29/11/2022

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Mon 28 Nov 2022 12:15

New Claim Andrew Laming s22(1)

Mon 28/11/2022 12:14 PM

To:

Dear s22(1)

We have been instructed to issue a Statement of Claim against Mr. Laming for the sum of \$10,360.05.

We have on file all the relevant tax invoices but can we also obtain from you copies of:-

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any correspondence between Mr. Lamming and your office;

any Rulings made by IPEA; any determinations made by the Ombudsman.

We look forward to receipt of same from

you.

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Regards



Fri 25 Nov 2022 16:52 QSOC Lodged - Magistrates Court - QLD

Fri 25 Nov 2022 15:49 Fri 25 Nov 2022 15:49

Date

Thu 24 Nov 2022 16:15

File Sent To Solicitor

Charged, QSOC

From: s22(1) s22(1)

Sent: Thursday, 24 November 2022 4:09

PM

To: s22(1)

s22(1)

Cc: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au> s22(1)

Subject: RE: 410649 - Mr Andrew Laming

[SEC=OFFICIAL]

SEC=OFFICIAL Hi s22(1)

Signed instructions are attached for you to

progress this matter.

Regards,

Thu 24 Nov 2022 12:43

----Original Message----

From: **s22(1)**

Sent: Thursday, 24 November 2022 12:43

PM

To: s22(1)

finance@ipea.gov.au; \$22(1)

Subject: 410649 - Mr Andrew Laming

Dear s22(1)

Attached is your QSOC Instructions Request.

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\$1,679.47

\$137.80

\$1,584.22

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> Regards, s22(1)

Thu 24 Nov 2022 12:39 **OSOC** Instructions Requested

Confirmed on collector insight that \$22(1) Thu 24 Nov 2022 12:39

is the debtor's most recent address

Thu 24 Nov 2022 12:38

From: Andrew Laming

Sent: Thursday, 24 November 2022 12:38

PM

 $T_0: s22(1)$

Subject: Re: Commonwealth Ombudsman Complaint - 2022-708328 Andrew Laming

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That's fine- I decline to pay and am happy

for you to inform them.

Thu 24 Nov 2022 12:37

From: s22(1)

Sent: Thursday, 24 November 2022 12:37

PM

ndrew Laming'

Subject: RE: Commonwealth Ombudsman Complaint - 2022-708328 Andrew Laming

[SEC=OFFICIAL] ref# 410649

Dear Andrew,

I have heard back from our client who has instructed me to advise that the Ombudsman has no jurisdiction under the Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017, nor can they review a Ruling made under section 37. The Ombudsman can comment and make recommendations around administrative process only, but not

overturn a decision.

The debt remains due and payable.

Kind regards,

Thu 24 Nov 2022 8:34

From: s22(1)

Sent: Thursday, 24 November 2022 8:34

AM To:<mark>s22(1</mark>)

Cc: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au> Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

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Hi Andrew,

The debtor sent me the following in an email after I forwarded the other one to you.

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From: Andrew Laming

Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2022

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Subject: RE: Commonwealth Ombudsman Complaint - 2022-708328 Andrew Laming [SEC=OFFICIAL] ref# 410649

Thank you.

Please make sure that any instruction you get is clear and in writing. Just letting you know (confidentially) it is likely to all be subpoenaed and parties potentially called as witnesses, so the more notes you maintain, the better.

Andrew

Not sure what he's up to but I will be contacting him for payment.

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Thu 24 Nov 2022 8:31

From: s22(1)

Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2022 2:31

To: s22(1)

Cc: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au> Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref# 410649 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

SEC=OFFICIAL His22(1)

The Ombudsman has no jurisdiction under the Parliamentary Business Resources Act 2017, nor can they review a Ruling made under section 37. The Ombudsman can comment and make recommendations around administrative process only not overturn a decision. Mr Laming has already be advised a number of times that his review rights are Judicial Review under section 39B of the Judiciary Act 1903. He would need to seek independent legal advice in relation to this.

The debt still remains and needs to be repaid by Mr Laming.

Regards,

Wed 23 Nov 2022 12:04

From: Andrew Laming

s22(1) Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2022

12:03 PM To:<mark>s22(1)</mark> s22(1)

Subject: RE: Commonwealth Ombudsman

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Thank you.

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Please make sure that any instruction you

get is clear and in writing.

Just letting you know (confidentially) it is likely to all be subpoenaed and parties potentially called as witnesses, so the more notes you maintain, the better.

Andrew

Wed 23 Nov 2022 11:05

Date

From: s22(1)

Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2022

11:06 AM

To: 'Andrew Laming'

s22(1)

Subject: RE: Commonwealth Ombudsman Complaint - 2022-708328 Andrew Laming

[SEC=OFFICIAL] ref# 410649

Hi Andrew,

I have spoken to our client and am awaiting instructions.

Kind regards,

Wed 23 Nov 2022 11:04

From: \$22(1)

Sent: Wednesday, 23 November 2022

11:04 AM

To: s22(1)

s22(1)

Cc: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au> Subject: Mr Andrew Laming - ref# 410649

His22(1)

I have just received the below email trail from the debtor.

Please advise instructions.

Thanks.

s22(1)

Wed 23 Nov 2022 11:02

From: Andrew Laming

s22(1)

Sent: Tuesday, 22 November 2022 6:28

PM

To: s22(1)

s22(1)

Subject: Re: Commonwealth Ombudsman Complaint - 2022-708328 Andrew Laming [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear \$22(1)

Can I suggest that you request from IPEA some written direction from them, that the Ombudsman has been informed by IPEA (and agreed with them) that the

Ombudsman has no jurisdiction; as you are

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now in possession of the following correspondence from the Ombudsman indicating this matter has not been satisfactorily resolved.

You could also inquire if the client wants to continue the process as a result of today's revelations on every news outlet (just google laming walkleys) that the grounds for IPEA initiating the process 48hours after these stories broke, have now been found to be without foundation in truth. (perhaps don't ask them the second question)

Andrew

Wed 23 Nov 2022 11:02

From: ombudsman@ombudsman.gov.au <ombudsman@ombudsman.gov.au> Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2022

11:08:06 AM To:**s22(1)**

Subject: Commonwealth Ombudsman Complaint - 2022-708328 Andrew Laming [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Our ref: 2022-708328

Dear Dr Laming

Thank you for your emails, and I sincerely apologise for my delay in contacting you further. I have been absent from the office earlier this week due to illness.

I confirm that I have written to IPEA to request some information about your complaint.

Please note that I have limited my inquiries at this stage to seeking information about how IPEA conducted its reviews of the audit report, in addition to its associated policies and procedures for handling internal reviews.

This is because the Ombudsman's Office does not review the merits of a decision as would a court or tribunal. When an agency has made a decision, we generally focus on whether the decision was 'reasonably open' to the agency, rather than whether there might be a different, more preferable, decision or outcome. Where agencies make decisions that require judgement or discretion, there may be a range of lawful decisions that are reasonably open to the agency.

We can consider IPEA's decision from an administrative and procedural perspective. In this context, I recognise IPEA's role as the specialist regulator of parliamentary

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specialist regulators.

expenses and that it is best placed to make

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assessments about the laws it administers. Generally, it is not appropriate for the Office to 'second-guess' the decision of

However, regarding your complaint, the Office can consider taking further action if, for example, there is an indication that IPEA has failed to appropriately consider the matters you brought to its attention.

I acknowledge your statements that IPEA told you the Ombudsman's Office does not have jurisdiction over this matter. Unfortunately, I do not currently have information about this or a response I can provide on this point. However, once I have received a full response from the agency and had the opportunity to consider it in detail, I will contact you with an update. I anticipate being able to provide a further update by approximately the end of November 2022.

Yours sincerely

s22(1)

Commonwealth Ombudsman Phone: \$22(1)

Wed 16 Nov 2022 11:04 Tue 15 Nov 2022 13:11 Tue 15 Nov 2022 13:06

Email from debtor expected by 30/11

Mailing address updated Inbound from debtor

Confirmed ID

Updated mobile number and address He advised he has sought legal advice and they are looking into whether the ombudsman has jurisdiction He advised will not pay and wanted to know where it may go from here He did mention he was going overseas at some stage soon and won't be back till

February

I advised if he refuses to pay I will seek instructions from our client to proceed with a QLD Claim, but it is entirely up to them whether they want to proceed

I advised that would add legal fees and interest onto the matter

He advised he will email me his intentions once he has spoken to his legal advisor and asked how long I would give him

Advised I would allow till 30 Nov

Caller ID s22(1)

Tue 15 Nov 2022 9:27

Andrew Laming

Sent: Tuesday, 15 November 2022 9:08

AM

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To: s22(1) s22(1)

Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref# 410649

_{Hi}s22(1)

I will first need to resolve the Ombudsman jurisdictional matter.

The debt will be challenged at whatever the appropriate time is, so please let me know what your preferred steps would usually be, and I will assist where I can. Andrew

Tue 15 Nov 2022 8:24

From: Andrew Laming

s22(1)

Sent: Tuesday, 15 November 2022 8:23

AM To: <mark>\$22(1)</mark> \$22(1)

Subject: Re: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

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Thank you

Tue 15 Nov 2022 8:23

From: s22(1)

Sent: Tuesday, 15 November 2022 8:23

AM

To: 'Andrew Laming' s22(1)

Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

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Hi Andrew,

Our client has advised that the Commonwealth Ombudsman does not have jurisdiction to review a ruling made by IPEA and to continue with collection of this debt.

Please contact me on \$22(1) to discuss payment options.

Alternatively, please provide me with your contact number and a time that's suitable for me to call you.

In all correspondence, please quote reference number 410649.

Kind regards, s22(1)

Tue 15 Nov 2022 8:19

From: s22(1) s22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 4:46

PM_

To: s22(1)

s22(1)

Cc: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au> Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

s22(1)

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SEC=OFFICIAL Hi <mark>\$22(1)</mark>

IPEA has received Mr Lamming's request to place this matter on hold while under investigation by the Ombudsman.

I have been instructed that this does not change the substance of the debt and that recovery action should continue.

Please let me know if you have any queries.

Regards,

Mon 14 Nov 2022 14:27

From: s22(1) s22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 2:27

PM

To: s22(1)

2(1) finance.ipea

<finance@ipea.gov.au>

Cc: s22(1)

Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

410649 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

SEC=OFFICIAL Hi s22(1)

Thank you for your email.

I am advised that the Commonwealth Ombudsman does not have jurisdiction to review a ruling made by IPEA.

Please continue with the recovery action.

Regards,

Mon 14 Nov 2022 12:36

From: \$22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 12:36

PM

To: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au>
Cc: \$22(1)

s22(1) s22(1)

Subject: Mr Andrew Laming - ref# 410649

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m Hi}$ s22(1)

Please find attached our notes.

The debtor is claiming they have lodged a complaint with the Ombudsman.

Please advise instructions.

Thanks,

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Mon 14 Nov 2022 12:32

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From: s22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 12:32

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Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

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Hi Andrew,

I will also advise IPEA and hold matter until they advise me otherwise.

Kind regards,

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Mon 14 Nov 2022 12:31

Andrew Laming

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 12:31

To: s22(1)

s22(1)

IPEA Enquiries

<Enquiries@ipea.gov.au>

Subject: Re: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

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Can I propose this process be placed on

hold subject to completion of the

Ombudsman's assessment of the matter.

Mon 14 Nov 2022 12:31

From: Andrew Laming

s22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 12:29

PM

Subject: Re: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

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Will do.

Mon 14 Nov 2022 11:54

From: s22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 11:55

AM

Subject: RE: Mr Andrew Laming - ref#

410649

Hi Andrew,

If you could please notify IPEA and I will place this matter on hold until I receive

instructions from them.

Kind regards s22(1)

Mon 14 Nov 2022 11:53

From: Andrew Laming

s22(1)

Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 11:30

s22(1)

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s22(1)

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Our Ref 410649 Your Ref Date Who GST Recoverable Event Fee/Amount Subject: Re: Mr Andrew Laming - ref# 410649 Hello, this matter is currently being investigated by the Commonwealth Ombudsmen so I will request an appropriate extension until that process is concluded. Do you notify IPEA or do I? From: **s22(1)** s22(1) Mon 14 Nov 2022 10:10 Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 10:11 AM Subject: Mr Andrew Laming - ref# 410649 Dear Andrew, Please find attached our demand letter for your Independent Parliamentary Expenses Authority matter. Please contact our office as a matter of urgency on \$22(1) to discuss payment options. In all correspondence, please quote reference 410649. Kind regards, s22(1) Mon 7 Nov 2022 9:19 Debtor Call Required Mon 7 Nov 2022 9:16 Searched debtor's email address on acceleon and detective desk to try to locate a contact number but nil results Searched debtor's address and found a mobile number for Laming Will email debtor first and if no response with call number for relative Mon 7 Nov 2022 9:11 Demand Letter Sent \$40.00 \$4.00 Mon 7 Nov 2022 9:11 From: s22(1) s22(1) Sent: Friday, 4 November 2022 4:35 PM To: s22(1) s22(1) Cc: finance.ipea <finance@ipea.gov.au>; Subject: RE: IPEA Debt Collection requests [SEC=OFFICIAL] SEC=OFFICIAL His22(1)

We would like to add one more outstanding debtor for Boomerang to collect for IPEA.

Relevant details and invoices are attached. Please let me know if you need anything else.

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	Regards,					
			Total	\$1.719.47	\$141.80	\$2,447,18