

re the Crime and Corruption Commis-
sion's "Making allegations of corrupt
conduct public Is it in the public
interest?" - discussion paper and
invitation for public submissions
of June 2016 and seemingly rela-
ted matters.

To the Chairperson Mr Alan Sporrin QC:

Dear sir,

While, the electoral cycle, may indeed,
seem to, like, procure, and especially
so, in this day and age, hype, of all
manner, in the very popularists' press,
I don't think that, the, like, Party -
political exploitation of, the, kind of,
extra-judicial processes, and such-
like, and so forth, spawned by, the
infamous Fitzgerald Inquiry, and, er,
ah, just-purportedly so (of late anyhow) -
facilitated, subsequently, by way of the
very inaugural Criminal Justice Com-
mission, and that is to say, later pro-
posed, like, manifestations thereof,

would, merely be seen to be, like, limited to, election periods, and near times, and certainly, in my own opinion, anyhow, the sort of, cumbersome, to say the very least, restrictions, on the Everyman's access, to the said extra-judicial process, in the very wake of, the disbanding of, the precursor to, the Crime and Corruption Commission (C'CC), i.e. the old Crime and Misconduct Commission (C'MC), would seem to only indicate, I say, with all due respect, of course, that, the very Members of, the legislator, itself, are, increasingly, more and more, seeing the said process - or things like the very C'CC that is, as, like, mere playthings, to be exploited, as they might please - or just see fit, for, like I say, mostly just, Party-political purposes. ...

So, well, with that said, I would

only hasten, to refer, of course, to the constitutionally derived—and otherwise established—doctrine of the very separation of the various powers of government (i.e. executive, judicial, and legislative), and point out, that, as I would only see it all, anyhow, the true ambit of the very said, inaugural 'C'J'C', was to be a watchdog—of sorts—over the said executive—or (if you like) purely administrative—arm of government—i.e. including the police force, in order to, inter alia, guard against—like—political influences—and especially from Members of the legislator, and, well, moreover, whilst I suspect that, some, like, more incompetent elected Members—and their more ~~eyes~~ sycophantic admirers (at any rate) have failed to see the distinctions, between, parliamentary committees—i.e. like the former Parliamentary Crime and Misconduct Commission Committee, and mere organs (then) of the said

executive arm of government - i.e.,
such as (in that very context) the
old CMC, surely, recent history, will
only show, to the effect of that,
there's been, far too much, like,
"grandstanding", or that is, like, pious
pontification, in the very - as they
say - "hallowed halls" of the Parlia-
ment (or "Coward's Castle" - if you
like), with the - like - predictable
then - kind of pompous proforma
reference - to the said process - or
mere executive organ (or - once was -
CMC that is - or what - have - you),
when - well, if it would be just - i.e.,
not merely frivolous and/or vesatious
and then - worth - like - following up -
at all, such, er, "references", to
be more true to, our very com-
mon law system, of a constitu-
tional democracy, complete with the
said separation of powers, ought
to, only have been, confined to
the very parliamentary process, it-
self, and, you know, through the

most appropriate ethics committee -
and/or the very Speaker's office - with -
like - one eye on the Black Rod - or Ser-
geant at Arms - or what - have - you

Oh, so, only with respect, of course,
and in a bona fide exercise of
Free Speech, in a, truly, free, fair, and
democratic, society, that is to say,
I might just, pose the question,
as to, whether or no, maybe, I
mean, in light of the introduction,
or that is, very so-called "Back-
ground" - information, provided
therein, the said - C/C/D - discussion
paper, might only be seen to be,
at least somewhat, politically moti-
vated, in and of itself, which, well,
it must be said, I think, may
only serve to, like, exacerbate, the,
appearance of bias, such that I
have alluded to above, already,
herein, in relation to the Everyman's
(or - if you like - ordinary citizen's) ac-
cess to the process - for (as I'm sure that
you would be well aware) whilst elected Mem-
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bers and (so-called) public servants and the like are practically at liberty to (provide "information" that is or) prattle off allegations and such like and so forth and so on - as they may just see fit* - said ordinary citizens are subjected to the far more cumbersome process - dare I say it - indignation (or - at any rate - an implied question then - as to their very integrity) - of having to go on oath? ...

Be that as it may, I would just say, like, more generally, that, I think that, such things as, criminal sanctions, or even, merely, a, more, like, civil contempt charge - i.e. (as opposed to related judicial processes - such that may be - or become - involved) of the said process (or - for now anyhow - C'C'C'), would only, appear as, like, "overkill" - as they say, for, at all events, such may potentially subvert - or anyhow appear to so - the very time-honoured common law principles of "Open Court",

* presumably, without threat - like - so to say - of being "cross examined" - on their very said utterances - then. - (Page - No. 6.)

and really, sub judice protections - or
the like (i.e. so that such might be seen
to extend - beyond the mere time of
a matter being formally filed in a
court of law - to the time that a
formal - i.e. preferably - I dare say -
written then - complaint is made to
the C'c'c' - or the like - of the very day
that is), should suffice, i.e. so that,
e.g. whilst it would always be open,
to draw inferences, against the
very integrity - or genuineness (or bona f'i-
des) - if you like - of would-be complai-
nants - or informants - or what-have-
yous, should they make public com-
ments (whether - so to say - before or
after the fact) about (purportedly
made then) complaints that they are
or might at some time become - a
party to - in some way or another,
no prejudice, in the true spirit of
the rights to silence and a fair
hearing etc., would be allowed,
against those who, simply, like, dec-
lined to comment, as regards alle-
gations of corrupt conduct, such

that they might be argued to be - in some way - involved in - i.e. whether as respondent or otherwise. ...

At all events though, of course, any measures, to be introduced, would arguably, have to be, like, carefully drafted, so as to be, beyond reproach, in respect of the very two part 'test' or underlying tenets thereof at least - espoused by the High Court of Australia in cases such as Levy, Theophanous, and Lange etc.

Oh, and... well, just as a bit of an - like - afterthought, I suppose, I might just add that, given the proposed interpretations thereof - by the - like - powers that be - at the federal level - anyhow, literally read, exemptions to the privacy laws, might seem to have some bearing, in this matter, as well, for, as I seem to be informed, if a citizen makes some mention of their dealings with a governmental entity, even in private that is, to a Local Member - or what - have - you,
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or, worse still, I guess, publicly -
like - in the media (for example, then,
well, it seems to have only been held,
to the effect of that, in the former
case, the governmental entity, concer-
ned (so to speak), would be at liberty,
to (like) even ~~quieted~~ quietly (if it
likes) - disclose, whatever personal
information, such that it might hold,
as to the affairs of the very citi-
zen (in point), to the Member invol-
ved - presumably - for such to then
do as it sees fit (with same), and
likewise, in the latter example, the
governmental entity (in point), may
make, any public comment, such that
it - or its various employees (i.e. alone
or in collaboration - with their superiors -
I guess...) - may see fit, as to such
affairs, including, so as to disclose
such personal information (whether in
part or in full), to the media - or
very (as I say) popularists' press'....
Well, I seem to be, like, all but,
quite snowed under, at the very mo-
ment, so, well, if you don't mind, ter
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ribly much, like, I'll just, like, leave
it at that, for now, or that is,
you know, other, your enquiry, in
this instance, kind of thing, this
much, or my humble submissions
herein, as I say, in the very pub-
lic interest, hopefully, anyway, as
well, too.

Thank you then, for your consi-
deration of these matters.

Yours sincerely



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