



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES 2023-2024

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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Mr Cain MLA on 27 July 2023: Ms McNeil took on notice the following question:

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In relation to: Sentencing Advisory Council

MR CAIN: I am talking about the thing that you are planning to create. And again, the merits of that is certainly something worth discussing. And the small component of advice you are going to get from members of the community. And again, the president of the law society is not a member of the community in this context. So that was quite disingenuous of you, in my opinion, to present that as a community representative. So, how many members of the community, who are not professional officers or government officers have applied for this council so far?

Ms McNeill: I do not know that I have the information to hand, the process is due to close next Monday. My experience with other recruitment-style processes is that often applications come in a rush towards the end.

MR CAIN: Could you take on notice to supply this committee with how many community members actually applied?

Ms McNeill: Yes, we can do that.

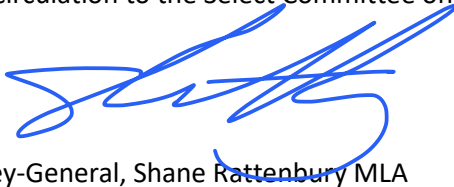
Mr Rattenbury: By the time we can get to do a question on that is response, the process will have closed, and so we will be able to give you—but as I have indicated to you in my letter, Mr Cain, also if somebody is a bit late, we are not going to preclude them from the process.

SHANE RATTENBURY: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

As at 12 noon on 2 August 2023, the Justice and Community Safety Directorate had received 28 expressions of interest in appointment to the Law Reform and Sentencing Advisory Council from members of the ACT community, six of which relate only to ex-officio member designations and 14 of which relate only to “community” member designations.

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By the Attorney-General, Shane Rattenbury MLA