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Attorney General Minister for Justice

The Hon C M Tebbutt MP Member for Marrickville PO Box 170 MARRICKVILLE NSW 2204

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Dear Ms Tebbutt

Thank you for your representations to the Attorney General, the Hon Brad Hazzard MP on behalf of Mr Stephen Gould of PO Box 517, Neutral Bay NSW 2089, about the management of family provision applications in the Supreme Court of NSW. The Attorney General has asked me to respond on his behalf.

The Supreme Court of NSW has advised that family provision applications are case managed by the Family Provision List Judge in accordance with Practice Note No. SC Eq 7, with minimal intervention by the Registry. As Mr Gould's complaint appears to concern the judicial management of cases by the Court, it is not appropriate for the Attorney General to intervene or comment.

However, should Mr Gould wish to provide more information regarding any specific concerns he has with current legislative provisions and/or legal processes, these can be reviewed more thoroughly at that time.

Thank you again for taking the time to bring Mr Gould's concerns to the Attorney General's attention, and I trust the information provided is of assistance in responding to him.

Yours sincerely

The Hon David Clarke MLC

**Parliamentary Secretary for Justice** 

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