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Sent: Wednesday, 11 February 2015 11:42 AM
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Margaret,

Should Julie Steel be asked whether she knows anything about a statement?

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From: Justice Byrne
Sent: Wednesday, 11 February 2015 11:45 AM
To: DL-Supreme Court Judges
Subject: : Minutes - Meeting of Judges from both Divisions of the Court - 10 Feb 2015
Attachments: Minutes - Meeting of Judges from both Divisions of the Court - 10 Feb 2015.doc

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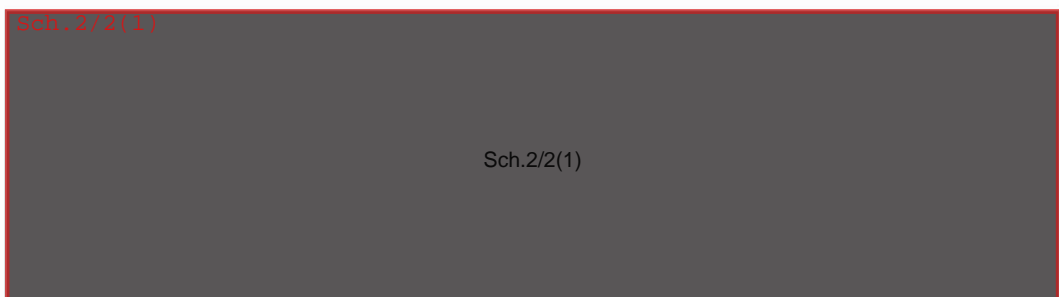
Common Room, 10 February 2015, 9.00 am

Chairs McMurdo P and Byrne SJA

Attendees Fraser JA
 Holmes JA
 Gotterson JA
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 P McMurdo J
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Subject: Minutes - Meeting of Judges from both Divisions of the Court - 10 Feb 2015
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Tim,

You already have the attached minutes.

May I draw your attention in particular to paragraph 5.

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From: Justice Daubney
Sent: Wednesday, 11 February 2015 2:02 PM
To: Justice Byrne
Cc: DL-Trial Division Judges; Justice MAMcMurdo
Subject: Report in today's Australian

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A clarification would be much appreciated.

Kind regards,
Martin

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From: Justice Byrne
Sent: Wednesday, 11 February 2015 2:16 PM
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Martin,

I do not know who, if anyone, was responsible for the statement.

I shall copy this response to the Chief Justice in case he may know the facts and respond to your concerns.

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Cc: Justice MAMcMurdo; Chief Justice Carmody
Subject: FW: Rockhampton Circuit commencing 23 February 2015
Attachments: 20150211170305340.pdf

Good day,

I attach the Chief Justice's response to the email below.

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Sent: Wednesday, 11 February 2015 1:48 PM
To: Chief Justice Tim Carmody (ChiefJustice.Carmody@courts.qld.gov.au)
Cc: Justice Boddice; Justice Dalton; Justice McMeekin; Justice MAMcMurdo
Subject: Rockhampton Circuit commencing 23 February 2015

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From: Justice MAMcMurdo
Sent: Friday, 20 February 2015 2:57 PM
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