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Mr Hari Iyer
16 Cuthbert Place
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Dear Mr Iyer,

COMPLAINT AGAINST MR STRONG, BARRISTER

I acknowledge receipt of your correspondence dated 12 July 2007, 23 July 2007 and 7 August 2007.

Please note that I did not respond to your correspondence earlier because you indicated that further proceedings were on foot at VCAT. I assume those proceedings have now concluded.

Whilst I cannot assist you in respect of your concerns about the conduct of VCAT members, if anything relevant has arisen from those proceedings, which relate to a complaint against a legal practitioner, then you may lodge a new complaint in writing.

In respect of your complaint against Mr Strong, I note the further information that you have provided however there is no evidence that Judge Strong appeared on behalf of Westpac.

Finally, I note your comments that you hope that my office will at least do something to correct the situation in the future. As previously advised, the Legal Services Commissioner investigates complaints of professional misconduct or unsatisfactory conduct by legal practitioners. I have no power to assist you in respect of your substantive legal matter with Westpac Banking Corporation. You may wish to seek further legal advice in respect of that matter.

Yours sincerely,

VICTORIA MARLES
Legal Services Commissioner

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Dear Mr Iyer,

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I refer to the complaint you have recently made against Mr Strong, which was forwarded to me by Detective Sergeant James McDonald of Victoria Police.

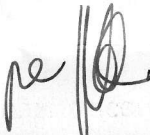
On 25 May 2007 and 21 June 2007 I wrote to you seeking clarification as to whom you were complaining against.

You have failed to respond to my letters.

In these circumstances I must inform you that I have dismissed your complaint pursuant to section 4.2.10(1)(a) of the *Legal Profession Act* 2004, as you have not provided the information sought by me.

My file is now closed.

Yours sincerely,



VICTORIA MARLES
Legal Services Commissioner