



IN THE CORONERS COURT
OF VICTORIA
AT MELBOURNE

Court Reference: COR 2015 4327
COR 2016 2914
COR 2017 1028
COR 2017 2630

PROCEEDING SUPPRESSION ORDER

Form 42 Rule 66(1)

*Section 18(2) of the **Open Courts Act 2013***

I, Judge John Cain, State Coroner, in respect of the investigations into the deaths of Child 1, Child 2, Child 3 and Child 4:

1. Revoke the previous proceeding suppression order related to this cluster of coronial cases and dated 29 March 2022.
2. Order by own motion that the following or information derived from the following, is prohibited from disclosure by publication under section 17 of the Open Courts Act 2013 ('the Act'):
 - a. the names of any deceased children being investigated in this inquest;
 - b. the names of any deceased children's family members;
 - c. the names of frontline workers from Mallee Family Care, VACCA, Darebin City Council, Northwestern Mental Health and Uniting Care who worked with the deceased children and/or their family members; and
 - d. the names of child protection workers who provided services for the deceased children.
3. The prohibition on the publication and broadcast in paragraph 2 applies throughout Australia. A schedule of pseudonyms that can be used for external publication or broadcast is annexed to this order.

4. This order does not affect the operation of section 534 of the *Children, Youth and Families Act 2005* and section 166 of the *Family Violence Protection Act 2008* as they apply to these proceedings.
5. The ground(s) relied on in making this order are that it is reasonably believed, based upon sufficient credible information, that these orders are necessary because disclosure by publication or otherwise would be contrary to the public interest.
6. For the purpose of this order, "publication" has the meaning attributed to it by section 3 of the Act, that is to say, it means the dissemination or provision of access to the public by any means including publication in a book, newspaper, magazine or other written publication; or broadcast by radio or television; or public exhibition; or broadcast or electronic communication.
7. This order will expire on 8 August 2027.

Signature:



JUDGE JOHN CAIN
STATE CORONER

Date: 8 August 2022

NOTE: Under section 23 of the **Open Courts Act 2013**, a person must not engage in conduct that constitutes a contravention of a proceeding suppression order or an interim order that is in force if that person—

- (a) knows that the proceeding suppression order or interim order is in force; or
- (b) is reckless as to whether a proceeding suppression order or an interim order is in force.

Individual Penalty: maximum 5 years imprisonment or 600 penalty units or both. Body Corporate: 3000 penalty units.

SCHEDULE OF PSEUDONYMS

Name	Relationship/Title	Pseudonym(s)
████████████████████	Deceased	Child 1
████████████████	Mother of the deceased	AA
████████████████	Father of the deceased	AB
████████████████████	Sibling of the deceased	AC
████████████████████	Sibling of the deceased	AD
████████████████████	Sibling of the deceased	AE
████████████████	Senior Case Worker	AF
████████████	Family Services Manager	AG
████████████	Deputy Area Manager	AH
████████████████████	Deceased	Child 2
████████████████	Mother of the deceased	BA
████████████	Father of the deceased	BB
████████████	████████████████ former partner	BC
████████████	Senior Program Manager	BD
████████████	Team Manager	BE
████████████	Senior child protection practitioner	BF
████████████	Deceased	Child 3
████████████████	Mother of the deceased	CA
████████████████	Father of the deceased	CB
████████████	████████████████ partner	CC
████████████	Sibling of the deceased	CD
████████████	Sibling of the deceased	CE
████████████	Sibling of the deceased	CF
████████████████	Deceased's foster carer	CG
████████████████	Deceased's partner	CH
████████████████	Deceased's close friend	CI
████████████	Deceased's close friend	CJ

██████████	Team Manager	CK
██████████	Child protection practitioner	CL
██████████	Case worker	CM
██████████	Case manager	CN
██████████	Deceased	Child 4
██████████	Mother of the deceased	DA
██████████	Father of the deceased	DB
██████████	Sibling of the deceased	DC
██████████	Sibling of the deceased	DD
██████████	Sibling of the deceased	DE
██████████	Child Health Nurse	DF
██████████	Psychiatric Nurse	DG
██████████	Team leader	DH
██████████	Child Protection Practitioner	DI
██████████	Team Manager	DJ
██████████	Team leader	DK
██████████	Medical practitioner	DL
██████████	Medical practitioner	DM

*** This is not an exhaustive list of individuals covered by this ruling and suppression order. Please use a suitable pseudonym or reference to professional title for individuals not specifically named above but still covered by the proceeding suppression order.**