

INDEPENDENT COMMISSION AGAINST CORRUPTION**STATEMENT IN THE MATTER OF: Operation Galley**

PLACE: 255 Elizabeth Street Sydney 2000
NAME: Michael Gheorghiu
ADDRESS: Known to the Commission
OCCUPATION: Urban Planner and Urban Designer
TELEPHONE NO: [REDACTED] 5659
DATE: 13 May 2022

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1. This statement made by me accurately sets out the evidence which I would be prepared, if necessary, to give in Court as a witness. The statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.
 2. I am 47 years of age.
 3. I have previously provided a statement to the Commission in relation to this matter on 21 December 2021. This statement is made in response to additional questions I received via email from ICAC Chief Investigator [REDACTED]. On 15 February 2022, he asked, “Do you recall attending a meeting at Spark Helmore Lawyers, Martin Place, Sydney on 27 July 2017 involving Elaine Tang, Vince Badalati and possibly Greg Hynd to discuss Landmark Square?”

Signature

[REDACTED]
Michael Gheorghiu

Witness

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4. I reviewed my business records and identified a calendar entry on 27 July 2017, from 3.30pm to 4.00pm at Addisons – ‘Meeting to discuss Treacy St, Hurstville’ involving Sharnie Bell, Lee Cone, Harshane Kahagalle and I.

Exhibit 1: I produce my calendar entries for 27 July 2017.

5. I reviewed my business records and identified a calendar entry on 28 July 2017.

Exhibit 2: I produce a screenshot of my calendar for 28 July 2017.

6. The entry shows that between 2.00pm and 3.00pm, I was scheduled to attend a meeting with the Cornerstone Group at 10/187-191 Macquarie Street Sydney to discuss ‘Landmark Square’. I know of Cornerstone in general from the industry, however, I can't remember this particular meeting. I can't remember meeting with Cornerstone where either Con and Miray Hindi or Vince Badalati were present.

7. I reviewed my business records and found the invitation from Elaine Tang for the meeting with Cornerstone on 28 July 2017.

Exhibit 3: I produce the invite regarding Cornerstone for 28 July 2017.

8. My calendar entry shows that between 3.00pm and 4.00pm on 28 July 2017, I was scheduled to attend a meeting with Bill Kritharas of Sparke Helmore to discuss Landmark Square – Forest Road, Durham Street and Roberts Lane.

9. I think I only met with Sparke Helmore on one occasion and to the best of my memory it was only with Elaine Tang. I don't recall Greg Hynd and Vince Badalati being at the meeting.

Signature


 Michael Gheorghiu

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10. I found my handwritten notes dated 28 July 2017, titled 'Landmark Square'. I don't know if these notes were made during the meeting with Cornerstone or Sparke Helmore, I just can't remember.

Exhibit 4: I produce my handwritten notes dated 28 July 2017.

Signature: _____

Michael Gheorghiu

Witness _____

Exhibit 1: I produce my calendar entries for 27 July 2017.

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Thursday 27 July 2017

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Meeting to discuss Treacy St, Hurstville Addisons

5 pm

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Event Details

Meeting to discuss Treacy St, Hurstville

Addisons

Thursday, 27 Jul 2017

from 3:30 pm to 4 pm



Calendar

Calendar

S Invitation from
Sharnie Belle

Invitees

3 >

✓ Michael Gheorghiu

? Lee Cone

? Harshane Kahagalle

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15 minutes before >

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Exhibit 2: I produce a screenshot of my calendar for 28 July 2017.

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Friday 28 July 2017

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Meeting to discuss Landmark Square - Cornerstone Group
10/187-191 Macquarie St, Sydney NSW 2000

3 pm

Bill Kritharas Sparke Helmore - Meeting to discuss
Landmark Square - Forest Rd, Durham St and Roberts La...

4 pm

5 pm

6 pm

Exhibit 3: I produce the invite regarding Cornerstone for 28 July 2017.



From: elaine@gencorp.net.au

To: michael.mgheorghiu@

Greg Hynd

26 July 2017 at 2:33 pm

Invitation: Meeting to discuss Landmark Square - Cornerstone Group @ Fri Jul 28, 2017 2pm - 3pm (Michael Gheorghiu)

Meeting to discuss Landmark Square -
Cornerstone Group

[more details »](#)

Lobbying

When Fri Jul 28, 2017 2pm – 3pm Eastern Time - Melbourne,
Sydney

Where [10/187-191](#) Macquarie St, Sydney NSW 2000 ([map](#))

Video call https://plus.google.com/hangouts/_/gencorp.net.au/meeting-to

Calendar Michael Gheorghiu

Who

- elaine@gencorp.net.au - organizer
- Michael Gheorghiu
- ghynd@foresightmgt.com.au

Going? **Yes** - **Maybe** - **No** [more options »](#)

Invitation from [Google Calendar](#)

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To stop receiving these emails, please log in to <https://www.google.com/calendar/> and change your notification settings for this calendar.

Forwarding this invitation could allow any recipient to modify your RSVP response.

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Exhibit 4: I produce my handwritten notes dated 28 July 2017.

Landmark Square

28.7.17

- Potentially accept conditions - just get us up to 'gateway'
- The only issue was 'deferred commencement' but we would like to go to 'gateway'
- All the issues raised could be used dealt with at DA stage.