

SUPREME COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA Stirling Gardens Barrack Street Perth WA 6000

MEDIA ALERT

24 November 2014

Filming allowed for Supreme Court trials

Two civil trials will be heard tomorrow, Tuesday 25 November, in the Supreme Court of Western Australia in relation to proposals to change the boundaries of local government districts within the Perth metropolitan area. The trials commence in Court 1 at 10.30am.

The Chief Justice of Western Australia, the Hon Wayne Martin AC, who will preside over the trials, has agreed to allow cameras in court to film this hearing. The Court will also film the trials and upload both the vision and transcript to the Court's website after the conclusion of the hearing.

Due to space limitations, only **one** television camera will be permitted in the courtroom. Chiefs of Staff are asked to make their own pooling arrangements but please contact me as soon as possible to finalise arrangements. There is no limitation on the number of accredited press photographers permitted in the courtroom, but you'll also need to contact me in advance.

The proceedings have been initiated by the councils of Subiaco, South Perth, Peppermint Grove and Serpentine Jarrahdale against Mr Anthony James Simpson MLA and The Local Government Advisory Board – CIV 1923/2014 and CIV 2527/2014.

Please contact me by COB today - Monday, 24 November - if your media organisation would like to have a camera in court. Prior notice is required due to space limitations and to outline requirements inside the courtroom.

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