



Stephen Cooke <stevecooke.c@gmail.com>

RE: Request for Consideration of Remote Participation – Personal Circumstances [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Associate JudgeBetts <Associate.JudgeBetts@fcfcoa.gov.au>

Thu, Apr 3, 2025 at 7:20 AM

To: Stephen Cooke <stevecooke.c@gmail.com>

Cc: Olivia Shedden <oshedden@delaneyroberts.com.au>, Anna Roberts <aroberts@delaneyroberts.com.au>, "Jo Markham (Independent childrens lawyer)" <admin@jlmfamilylawyers.com.au>, "reception@therelationspace.com.au" <reception@therelationspace.com.au>, "reception@delaneyroberts.com.au" <reception@delaneyroberts.com.au>, "ncc38962023@federalcourts.gov.au" <ncc38962023@federalcourts.gov.au>

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Kind regards

Mireille Brown

Chambers of his Honour Judge Betts

Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia

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From: Stephen Cooke <stevecooke.c@gmail.com>**Sent:** Tuesday, April 1, 2025 3:58 PM**To:** Associate JudgeBetts <Associate.JudgeBetts@fcfcoa.gov.au>**Cc:** Olivia Shedden <oshedden@delaneyroberts.com.au>; Anna Roberts <aroberts@delaneyroberts.com.au>; Jo Markham (Independent childrens lawyer) <admin@jlmfamilylawyers.com.au>; reception@therelationspace.com.au;

reception@delaneyroberts.com.au; ncc38962023@federalcourts.gov.au

Subject: Request for Consideration of Remote Participation – Personal Circumstances

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Dear Chambers of Judge Betts,

I write respectfully to advise the Court of significant developments which have impacted my capacity to attend proceedings in person and to formally seek leave to continue participating via electronic means.

Around March 8th, 2025, I was unlawfully detained under the Mental Health Act while in Queensland. This incident occurred shortly after my vehicle ran out of petrol. During my detention, I was denied access to my prescribed ADHD medication—which I have used responsibly—and was instead forcibly medicated with Olanzapine, an antipsychotic I do not require and strongly object to.

These actions have had a profound impact on my physical and emotional wellbeing and further contributed to the decision to remove myself from what I perceived to be an unsafe and escalating situation. In doing so, I have temporarily relocated to Thailand for the preservation of my safety and mental health.

Additionally, I have informed both the Toowoomba Hospital and the Commonwealth Bank about serious grievances arising from this period, including the unlawful confiscation of personal funds and the sudden freezing of my financial accounts—actions which continue to cause ongoing hardship and reputational damage.

I have shared these correspondences not because I believe they are the direct concern of the Court, but because I wish to provide full transparency regarding my decisions to date. I am not seeking to escalate matters; rather, I hope to de-escalate and continue resolving the legal proceedings in a peaceful and cooperative manner, albeit remotely.

I respectfully request that the Court take into account my current circumstances and grant leave for my continued remote participation in the matter of *Cooke v Cooke* (NCC3896/2023), scheduled next for 7 April 2025.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Stephen Christopher Cooke

T:0412846712

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From: **Stephen Cooke** <stevecooke.c@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Apr 1, 2025 at 11:10 AM

Subject: Immediate Release of Frozen Funds – Unlawful Account Restrictions

To: <financialassist@cba.com.au>

Dear Commonwealth Bank Complaints Department,

I am writing to formally raise a serious complaint regarding the **unlawful freezing** of my personal and business accounts as of **March 31st, 2025**. Your institution is currently holding a significant amount of my funds without legal justification. This action is resulting in **defaulted payments** and causing ongoing and **substantial harm** to my **financial integrity, business reputation, and emotional wellbeing**.

To be absolutely clear: these restrictions were applied following my escape from a **dangerous situation in Australia**, where I was **unlawfully detained under the Mental Health Act** and subjected to **significant psychological abuse**. I have since been forced to **temporarily relocate to Thailand for reasons of safety and health**, and I have **formally advised the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia** of this decision as of this morning.

The Commonwealth Bank's actions further compound the harm I have experienced and, in my view, **constitute financial abuse**. Your institution is now impeding my ability to meet essential commitments and obligations, without due process or merit.

I would prefer to resolve this matter peacefully. However, if you have not complied with my request — the **immediate unfreezing and release of all funds owed to me** — within **five (5) business days**, I will have no choice but to **publicly share my story on social media platforms** and through **ABC News and other media outlets** to bring attention to the misconduct and negligence I have endured.

Please confirm immediate action is being taken. This is an urgent and time-sensitive matter.

Funds are to be transferred to the following account:

Beneficiary Name: Stephen Cooke
Account Number: 101470441
BSB Number: 772772
Bank Name and Address: Revolut Payments Australia Pty Ltd
Level 28, [161 Castlereagh Street, Sydney NSW 2000, Australia](#)

Sincerely,
Stephen Cooke

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From: **Stephen Cooke** <stevecooke.c@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Apr 1, 2025 at 10:59 AM
Subject: Request for Immediate Reimbursement of Confiscated Funds – Stephen Cooke
To: <ddhs@health.qld.gov.au>

Dear Toowoomba Hospital Administration,

I am writing to formally request the urgent return of funds confiscated from me during what I believe was an **unlawful involuntary detention** at your facility.

Please find attached the following documents to support this request:

- **080325 Stephen Cooke Treatment Authority.pdf**
- **080325 Stephen Cooke Toowoomba Receipt.pdf**

The attached receipt confirms that **\$3,650 AUD** was taken from me at the time of admission. As I was **detained without lawful justification**, there is no valid basis for the continued withholding of my personal funds. I respectfully request that the full amount be returned without further delay.

If a cheque has already been issued, please cancel it and instead transfer the funds via direct deposit using the details below:

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Additionally, please be advised that a legal matter remains afoot — an onerous custody dispute currently before the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia. While this may not directly concern your department, I have informed the Court that, due to the circumstances surrounding this incident and for reasons of personal safety and wellbeing, I have temporarily relocated to Thailand.

I would prefer not to escalate this matter further. However, I reserve all rights should this not be resolved promptly. Please confirm receipt of this email and notify me once the funds have been transferred. I expect resolution within **5 business days**.

Sincerely,
Stephen Cooke

The Relationspace <reception@therelationspace.com.au>

Fri, Apr 4, 2025 at 10:47 AM

To: Associate JudgeBetts <Associate.JudgeBetts@fccoa.gov.au>, Stephen Cooke <stevecooke.c@gmail.com>

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Colleagues, I wish to provide, in writing to all that the Expert Drew Cowen has not been provided with any of these communications.

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Kind regards,
Catherine James
Practice Manager
(02) 9221 1111

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Please take a moment and click here to give us your feedback.

On April 3, 2025 at 2:20 PM, Associate JudgeBetts (Associate.JudgeBetts@fcfcoa.gov.au) wrote:

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Sun, Apr 6, 2025 at 1:17 AM

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Good morning,

I refer to my previous email and advise that the Compliance and Readiness Hearing on 7 April 2025 at 2.30pm is at Australian Eastern Standard Time NOT Daylight savings time.

I apologise for any inconvenience.

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