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ICAC public inquiry into allegations concerning alleged corrupt conduct by a senior public official

The NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) will hold a public inquiry commencing on **Monday 10 November 2014** as part of an investigation it is conducting into allegations that on 31 May 2014 Deputy Senior Crown Prosecutor, Margaret Cunneen SC and Stephen Wyllie, with the intention to pervert the course of justice, counselled Sophia Tilley to pretend to have chest pains, and that Sophia Tilley, with the intention to pervert the course of justice, did pretend to have chest pains, to prevent investigating police officers from obtaining evidence of Ms Tilley's blood alcohol level at the scene of a motor vehicle accident.

The public inquiry will start at 10:00 am and will be held in the Commission's hearing room on Level 7, 255 Elizabeth Street, Sydney. It will run from 10 to 12 November 2014.

As this matter involves a senior public official involved in the administration of justice in New South Wales, the Commission considered it appropriate for a person from outside New South Wales to preside at the inquiry. Accordingly, Mr Alan MacSporran QC has been appointed an Assistant Commissioner to preside at the public inquiry, and Counsel Assisting the Commission will be Mr Michael Fordham SC.

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