

TURNER v PRICE

NTD17/2024

APPLICANT'S CHRONOLOGY

Date	Event	Reference
23.04.2021	Mr Turner assumes position as interim CEO of CLC	Turner 2 at [20]; CB 321/Tab 14, p. 4
April 2021	Senator claims to have met Mr Turner in a public place	Price at [50]
05.10.2021	Mr Turner appointed CEO of the CLC for a 3-year term	Turner 1 at [15]; CB 123/Tab 9, p. 3
20.04.2023	CLC published press release about Senator	-
05.05.2023	Mr Kalantzis sends letter of demand to CLC	CB 763/Tab 23
17.05.2023	Mr Palmer responds to Kalantzis letter of demand on behalf of CLC	CB 767/Tab 24
07.06.2023	Australian National Audit Office publishes <i>Governance of the Central Land Council</i> report. Senator reads the report at about this time.	Price at [41]; CB 475/ Tab 18, p. 9 CB 346/Tab 14, p. 29
08.06.2023	Senator requests research memo in relation to ANOA	CB 772/Tab 26
14.07.2023	Senator receives research memo from Parliamentary Library re <i>Compliance and governance for Aboriginal Land Councils</i>	CB 772 /Tab 26
20.09.2023	CLC issues statement about Senator's National Press Club address	-
28.02.2024	Senator and Mr Wilks meet with Mr Morris about funding of Yipiringya School	Wilks at [10]
05.06.2024	Mr Turner sends letter to Matthew Palmer re potential misconduct by Mr Palmer in relation to traditional owner certification	Turner 2 at [33]; CB 324/ Tab 14, p. 7 CB 435/ Tab 14, p. 118
07.06.2024	Gavin Morris sends text messages to Senator informing her that Mr Palmer has the "full support of all 90 delegates" for a "coup" to remove Mr Turner and the executive of the CLC	Price at [74]; CB 483/ Tab 18, p. 17 CB 493/ Tab 18, p. 26
11.07.2024	Rachael Lila speaks to Dr Morris by phone and reports to Senator that CLC will move a no-confidence motion against Mr Turner and replace him with Dr Morris. Ms	Price at [75]-[76]; CB 483/ Tab 18, p. 17

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	Lila comments that Dr Morris “clearly seems desperate to get out of Yipi”	Lila at [7]-[9]; CB 694/ Tab 21, p. 2 CB 495-496/Tab 18, p. 28
11.07.2024 – 18.07.2024	Senator claims to have had phone discussions with Mr Palmer and Dr Morris in relation to removal of Mr Turner as CEO.	Price at [78]; CB 484/ Tab 18, p. 18
16.07.2024 – 18.07.2024	Full Council meeting of the CLC at Watarrka	Williams at [5]; CB 439/ Tab 20, p. 3
17.07.2024	Senator instructs Damian Wilks to engage with Dr Morris to assist Mr Palmer in his proposed actions.	Price at [81]; CB 484/Tab 18, p. 18 Wilks at [13]; CB 631/Tab 20, p. 4
17.07.2024	Mr Wilks has phone conversation with Dr Morris in which they discussed media contacts, and Dr Morris said that he would send Mr Wilks the draft of a press release Mr Palmer intended to issue.	Wilks at [15]; CB 632/ Tab 20, p. 5
17.07.2024	Second day of Full Council meeting. CLC passes resolution reprimanding Mr Palmer for serious breach of CLC Code of Conduct in relation to traditional owner certification	Turner 2 at [37]; CB 325/Tab 14, p. 8 CB 827-828/Tab 28, p 8-9
	At 2.47pm, Mr Wilks receives email from Dr Morris containing draft of Mr Palmer’s press release for Mr Wilks’s comment.	Wilks at [17]; CB 632/ Tab 20, p. 5
	Senator instructs Mr Wilks to begin work on the Media Release.	Wilks at [18]-[19]; CB 632 Tab 20, p. 5
18.07.2024	Senator receives Draft resolution document from Morris and provides it to staff at 1.13pm	Price at [85], JNP4
	At 1.56pm, Mr Wilks provides comments on Mr Palmer’s draft press release by email	Wilks at [21]; CB 632/ Tab 20, p. 5 CB 649/Tab 20, p. 22
	At 1.58pm, Mr Wilks receives Mr Palmer’s draft resolutions from Dr Morris	Wilks at [23]; CB 633/ Tab 20, p. 5 CB 643/Tab 20, p. 16 Price at [85]; CB 485/ Tab 18, p 19
	At 2.34pm, Mr Wilks provides first draft of Media Release to Rebekah Hart.	Hart at [22]; CB 556/Tab 19

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		Wilks at [30]; CB 634 / Tab 20, p. 5 CB 655/Tab 20, p. 28
	Third day of Full Council meeting. Mr Palmer asks female delegates to leave meeting area, then attempts to move motion re dismissal of Mr Turner as CEO. Warren Williams and another delegate refuse to read out proposed resolutions. Meeting breaks up without a vote.	Williams at [6]-[10]; CB 439/Tab 15, p. 2 CB 876/Tab 45, 916-917/Tab 54 p. 7-8
19.07.2024	At 1.30pm, Senator has phone conversation with Mr Palmer, Dr Morris, Ms Lila and Ms Hart in which Mr Palmer states (amongst other things) that the motion did not pass, even though all but two men and one woman were in support. Senator speaks about a press plan.	Price at [89]; CB 486/ Tab 18, p. 20 CB 508/Tab 18, p. 41 Hart at [30]; CB 557/ Tab 19, p. 6
	At 2.17pm, Ms Hart provides second draft of Media Release to Mr Wilks	Hart at [31]; CB 557/Tab 19, p. 6 Wilks at [38]; CB 635/ Tab 20, p. 8 CB 657-658/Tab 20, p. 30-31
	Mr Wilks has a phone conversation with Dr Morris in which Dr Morris said that the motion was unsuccessful despite majority support. Mr Wilks wonders why motion failed despite majority support	Wilks at [40]; CB 635/Tab 20, p. 8
	At 3.15pm, Senator approves text message from Mr Wilks about strategy re timing of publication of Media Release and coordination of radio interviews	Price at [95]; CB 487 /Tab 18, p. 21 Wilks at [41]; CB 635/ Tab 20, p. 8 CB 526/ Tab 18, p. 59
12.05pm on 20.07.2024	Mr Wilks receives email from Dr Morris with Mr Palmer's press release. Mr Wilks notices that Mr Palmer stated that Mr Turner had " <i>lost the confidence of CLC delegates</i> " and that CLC members had " <i>moved a motion of instant dismissal...</i> ".	Wilks at [42]-[45]; CB 635-636/Tab 20, p. 8-9
	At 1.46pm Mr Palmer provides his media release by email to four journalists	CB 847/Tab 32
21.07.2024	NT News (and other News Limited publications) publishes article titled "Lindsay Turner dumped as Central Land Council chief executive"	Turner 1 at [27]; CB 125/Tab 9, p. 5

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	Tess O’Loughlin liaises with <i>NT News</i> on behalf of CLC. <i>NT News</i> agrees to take down article	O’Loughlin at [7]-[13]; CB 449-450/Tab 17, p. 2-3
	At 2.36pm, Senator reads <i>NT News</i> article and shares it with Mr Wilks and Ms Hart. Senator notices that, inconsistently with what Mr Palmer told her, the article reported that Mr Turner had been removed as CEO. She assumed journalist had further information or there had been further developments.	Price at [98]-[101]; CB 488/Tab 18, p. 22 CB 530/Tab 18, p. 63
	At 2.54pm, Mr Wilks sees that <i>NT News</i> article has been taken down. Mr Wilks provides text of Mr Palmer’s media release to Senator	Price at [102]-[103]; CB 488/Tab 18, p. 22 Wilks at [52]; CB 637/Tab 20, p. 10 CB 530-531/Tab 18, p.63-63
	At 2.59pm, Mr Wilks instructs Ms Hart that the second draft of the Media Release would have to be altered to reflect the fact that the motion was unsuccessful	Wilks at [56]; CB 637/Tab 20, p. 10 CB 664/Tab 20, p. 37
	At 3.12pm, Ms Hart provides third draft of the Media Release to Senator and Mr Wilks	Hart at [42]-[44]; CB 559/Tab 19, p. 8 Wilks at [57]; CB 637/Tab 20, p. 10 CB 676/ Tab 20, p. 49
	At 4.59pm, Mr Wilks confirms that <i>NT News</i> have taken down their article. Senator comments that <i>NT News</i> may have had to make a correction because Mr Turner survived the “coup”.	Price at [107]; CB 489/Tab 18, p. 23 CB 539-540/Tab 18, p. 72-72
	At 6.55pm, Mr Wilks tells Senator that he just spoke with Dr Morris who confirmed that the <i>NT News</i> misreported, and adds “Really up to us now to give it some momentum”.	Wilks at [61]-[62]; CB 638/ Tab 20, p. 11 CB 540/ Tab 20, p. 73
	At 8.25pm, Ms Hart provides the fourth draft of the Media Release to Senator and Mr Wilks	Hart at [48]-[51]; CB 560/Tab 19, p. 9 Wilks at [64]; CB 639/Tab 20, p. 12
	At 9.01pm, Senator approves the fourth draft.	Price at [110]; CB 489 CB 540/Tab 18, p. 71

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	At 9.35pm, Ms Hart sends 8 emails enclosing the Media Release to Senator's email distribution list of 1961 journalists and media	Hart at [54]; CB 560/Tab 19, p. 9
	Ms Hart attempts to arrange discussion of no-confidence motion against Mr Turner in ABC Television interview on 7:30	CB 852/Tab 35
22.07.2024	At 9.20am, the Media Release is uploaded to Senator's website	Hart at [56]; CB 561/Tab 19, p. 11
	Mr Turner becomes aware of Media Release via CCH alert	Turner 1 at [33]; CB 125/Tab 9, p. 5
	At ++ Ms O'Loughlin attempts to contact Ms Hart and Ms Hart informs Senator of attempted contact	
	CLC publishes statement correcting the Media Release and the 21.07.2024 <i>NT News</i> article	Turner 1 at [40]; CB 127/Tab 9, p 7 O'Loughlin at [16]; CB 450/Tab 17, p. 3
	Ms O'Loughlin liaises with Ms Hart and asks that the Media Release be taken down. Ms Hart requests "evidence" that a motion against Mr Turner had not been moved.	O'Loughlin at [17]-[22]; CB 450-451/Tab 17, p. 3-4 Hart at [57]-[68]; CB 561-562/Tab 19, p. 10-11
	6.08pm NT News publishes a second article which includes the CLC statement	CB 171/Tab 9, p. 51
	ABC NT News broadcasts short item which includes CLC statement	
23.07.2024	Senator gives interview to Radio 2CC re no-confidence motion against Mr Turner	CB 866/Tab 42
	ABC Radio publishes item which includes CLC statement	
	At 10:40am Ms Hart gives a comment about the CLC to Paige Taylor from the <i>Australian</i>	CB 864/Tab 41
29.07.2024	Mr Turner's solicitors serve concerns notice on Senator	Turner 1 at [56]; CB 129/Tab 9, p. 9
07.08.2024	CLC Executive Council Meeting agree a Statement of Facts about 18 July	Tab 45/CB 875
14.08.2024	Senator sends information from Mr Palmer to Mr Kalantzis including Statement of Facts	VK-2

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26.08.2024 – 27.08.2024	Senator publishes two further media releases and a newspaper opinion piece about CLC and Mr Turner	Turner 1 at [59]; CB 130/Tab 9, p. 10 CB 901-904/Tab 50
27.08.2024	Senator gives doorstep interview calling for inquiry into governance of the CLC	CB 870/Tab 44
28.08.2024	CLC meeting at Tennant Creek	CB 890/Tab 49
29.08.2024	<i>NT News</i> publishes apology to Mr Turner	Turner 1 at [61]; CB 130/Tab 9, p. 10 CB 1014/Tab 61
	Senator gives interview to Mix 104.9 calling for inquiry into governance of the CLC	CB 905/Tab 51
	Rebekah Hart offers Op-Ed to the Australian and provides press releases	CB 901/Tab 50
03.09.2024	Mr Kalantzis responds to Concerns Notice and Media Release removed from Senator's website	VK-5
05.09.2024	Proceedings commenced	CB 1/Tab 1
17.09.2024	Mr Palmer removed as Chair of the CLC at a special meeting of the CLC at Tennant Creek. Mr Williams elected as new Chair.	Williams at [25]-[26]; CB 441/Tab 15, p. 4 CB 920-924/Tab 54 p.11-15
October 2024	Mr Turner re-appointed as CEO of the CLC for a 3-year term	Turner 1 at [15]; CB 123/Tab 9, p. 3
11.11.2024	Defence filed	-
23.12.2024	Amended Defence filed	-
27.03.2025	Further Amended Defence filed	Tab 5