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Mr Dean Allen Industrial Officer Public Service Association of NSW 160 Clarence Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

By email: Dean Allen dallen@psa.asn.au; Meri Best mbest@psa.asn.au

Dear Mr Allen,

Crown Solicitor's Office ("CSO") – Accommodation arrangements proposal feedback

I refer to your letter dated 16 May 2023 and the meeting on 23 May 2023 with CSO representatives to discuss feedback on behalf of Public Service Association ("PSA") members regarding the CSO accommodation arrangements proposal.

As you are aware, the CSO's Office Arrangements Project has been exploring ways to improve the use of our office space to ensure our office accommodation best reflects and supports our working requirements both now and into the future.

I would like to thank the PSA and its members for their engagement in the consultation process and the time spent to respond to the proposal. The feedback received has been reviewed internally and discussed with the CSO Executive.

The outcome of this stage of the process is that there will be no changes to the current office arrangements (initially proposed to commence in July 2023) until further assessments and consultation are undertaken.

I would like the CSO to continue to focus on workplace initiatives aimed at gathering evidence of our in-office activities, our growth estimates and to respond to matters raised through the consultation process. More information about these initiatives, including ongoing engagement with staff, will be available on the CSO intranet at the end of month and will be shared with the PSA.

Finally, I'd like to affirm the CSO's continued commitment to consultation and engagement with the PSA on this project. The Project Team will arrange time to meet with the PSA to further discuss planned initiatives at the end of June.

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Please do not hesitate to contact Jane Francis, Director People & Culture on 0466 357 347 or via email on <u>jane.francis@cso.nsw.gov.au</u>, if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

Yours faithfully

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