

Prosecution process options Op Covina [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Trent and Emma,

It has struck me that there are four main ways to have the alleged offender in Op Covina brought before the court.

The first two involve arrest. These are a) having QPS arrest the alleged offender for committing an indictable offence outside State or b) seeking an first instance warrant here in the ACT and then having QPS arrest him on the warrant.

In both cases we would need to seek extradition from Queensland. Such a process might create a circumstance where the strength of the brief is tested during the extradition process if the alleged offender was want to challenge the brief.

In the alternative he may simply submit and he would be remanded in our custody and conveyed to the ACT. This possibly sidesteps COVID restrictions and has the alleged offender before court very soon. I have to check with our COVID team on that score.

The other processes involve a normal summons process where we set a court date for six weeks after the swear by date to occur in two weeks. Then we would have to have the summons served.

Or we go the quick service route predicated on justification.

In both cases however COVID restrictions would impact the ability of the alleged offender to appear before court requiring quarantine and for the alleged offender to make his own way to the ACT. With the attendant issues of remote hearings etc as an alternative to physical attendance.

Let's discuss when I get into work around 8:30 to 8:45.

Cheers

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