

27 November 2006

063101 and 063220

Department of Planning v George Cousins

Before: Judge Kevin O'Connor, President and Mr Philip Hayward, Non-judicial Member

Appearances: Applicant - Mr Anthony Grey, solicitor, Department of Planning

Respondent - Mr Justin Doyle of counsel

The Tribunal finds the Respondent guilty of unsatisfactory professional conduct, and orders that:

- 1. The Respondent be reprimanded.
- 2. The Respondent pay a fine of \$5,000 by 30 March 2007.
- 3. The Respondent's accreditation be subject until expiry or voluntary withdrawal to the condition that he is not to enter into any new contract or arrangement to provide certifying services or to accept any new appointment as a principal certifying authority.

Note in addition that the Respondent has given an undertaking to surrender, i.e. voluntarily withdraw, the accreditation not later than 23 December 2006.

Judge Kevin O'Connor