

THE WRIGHT COMMISSION
AN INQUIRY INTO THE DEATH OF NEIL STONECHILD

APPLICATION FOR STANDING AND FUNDING

By

Deputy Chief Daniel Wiks

Deputy Chief, DANIEL WIKS, of the Saskatoon Police Service has applied for standing to allow his counsel to make closing submissions on his behalf. He also applies for funding.

RULING ON STANDING

I grant standing to Deputy Chief Wiks for the purpose of allowing counsel to make closing submissions on his behalf. Deputy Chief Wiks testified on behalf of the Saskatoon Police Service. The Saskatoon Police Service is represented by counsel. I am advised, by his counsel, that Deputy Chief Wiks is subject to *The Police Act* proceedings relating to the Stonechild matter. As such, it is contended, the interests of the Saskatoon Police Service and Deputy Chief Wiks could potentially diverge. Counsel also asserts that Deputy Chief Wiks could be prejudiced in *The Police Act* proceedings, and damaged in his reputation, in the event an adverse finding is made against Deputy Chief Wiks. I am satisfied that he is directly and substantially affected by the Inquiry.

Counsel for Deputy Chief Wiks may file written submissions on or before May 14th, 2004. Oral submissions by his counsel shall be restricted to one-half hour.

RULING ON FUNDING

I grant limited funding to Deputy Chief Wiks. His counsel shall be allowed ten hours to familiarize himself with the evidence and prepare written submissions. He will also be entitled to compensation for the time he is in attendance at the Inquiry for presentation of closing submissions.

Deputy Chief Wik's counsel, Mr. Danyliuk, has substantial experience, and I set his hourly rate at One Hundred and Ninety-Two (\$192.00) dollars per hour. Counsel shall submit an invoice to the Commission Office following conclusion of closing submissions.

DATED at the city of Saskatoon, in the province of Saskatchewan, this 11th day of May, A.D. 2004.

Mr. Justice David H. Wright
Commissioner