



# Media Release

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## Currie Steward's Inquiry delayed on consent

In lieu of a Supreme Court hearing today, the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) and legal representatives for Toowoomba Trainer Ben Currie have agreed to delay a QRIC Steward's Inquiry until a Supreme Court decision is finalised.

A Steward's Inquiry into four alleged positive swab offences was due to be heard on Monday 14 January.

Mr Currie's legal representatives brought Supreme Court action earlier this week requesting admission to Monday's Inquiry.

A similar Supreme Court action also calling for the admission of Mr Currie's legal representatives is pending in relation to the resumption of a separate Steward's Inquiry, where Mr Currie faces 28 alleged breaches of the Australian Rules of Racing.

As both Supreme Court actions relate to similar legal issues in each case, they will now be heard together.

By consent of both parties, the Stewards Inquiry previously set down for Monday 14 January and the resumption of the Inquiry into 28 alleged breaches of the rules of racing will be held on a date to be confirmed following the outcome of a Supreme Court hearing on 22 February 2019.

**ENDS**