



NOTICE TO REPORTED PERSON OR TEAM

You have been charged to appear before the Basketball Victoria Tribunal

At:

On : / / 201 at pm/am

The charges that have been laid against you are detailed in the attached Report.

A copy of the by-laws under which the Tribunal operates may be obtained from your local basketball association or from Basketball Victoria or its web site (www.basketballvictoria.com.au). You should familiarise yourself with those By-laws.

You may bring with you one witness but other witnesses **may** be allowed at the discretion of the Tribunal. Witness statements may be tendered by you. You may not have legal representation or an advocate. If you are under 18 or have a disability which means you can't represent yourself you may bring with you an adult advisor (not a lawyer) who will be given an opportunity to advise you and to ask questions of witnesses, through the Chairman, at appropriate times during the hearing.

If you cannot attend the hearing, you may give your evidence in writing and appoint a representative in writing to appear at the hearing on your behalf. Whether or not you attend, the hearing will proceed and if the Tribunal is not aware of any good reason for your non-attendance, it may impose a penalty of up to 20 weeks suspension for your non-attendance, without further notice and in addition to any other penalty it may impose.

You may make an audio or video taping of the hearing provided you have notified the Tribunal at least 48 hours before the hearing. The tape remains in the possession of the Tribunal but a copy will be made available to you at your expense on request.

The hearing is open to observers including members of the media unless the Tribunal orders otherwise for special reasons.

At the hearing you will be asked whether you plead guilty or not guilty to the charges and whether you have any objection to the Tribunal members on the basis that they may not be impartial.

You will be given ample opportunity during the hearing to ask questions of the reporting official and any witnesses called and to make submissions on your own behalf. All this must be directed to and through the Chairman.

The Tribunal has the power to find you guilty of an alternative lesser charge if it is not satisfied of your guilt of the charges laid against you. It may also allow the charges to be amended during the hearing but then must give you the option of having the hearing postponed to another date.

If you are found guilty, you have a limited right of appeal. You will be given notification of those rights.

If you have any questions before the hearing about the Tribunal procedures you should contact your local Association or the offices of Basketball Victoria.