## **COVID-19 Response Inquiry**

My submission consists of a few brief comments on a few points of Australia's covid response, as follows:

- 1. The advent of covid-19 in early 2020 was seized on by some political leaders to institute a police state where basic freedoms were trashed, ane enforced by all-too-willing police forces. Most notably in Victoria, but closely aped by Western Australia and even the federal government, which barred a champion tennis player from the Australian Open on the most ridiculous pretext. None of those overlords remain today, they have retired, or been booted out, and good riddance. They all presided over one of the darkest chapters in Australian history, a chapter that must never be repeated.
- 2. The performance of the medical profession and associated bureaucracies was appalling. Few called for caution in the all-out assault on lockdowns of freedoms, and yet had they done so, state premiers and police commissioners may have withheld their heavy hand. They pushed the experimental covid vaccines that appeared from big pharma within a year of the covid outbreak, and we now have a heavily vaccinated population watching a dramatic increase in unexplained deaths since 2021 and wondering —

  Am I in danger? Are my kids in danger? Have I passed something genetic to my babies born since I was vaccinated?
  - Not only did the medical profession leap to support the lockdown state, they did not question the motives and procedures employed by big pharma to any extent whatever. The result a population unsure of what happened, many vaccinated against their will to hold their jobs, vowing never again to touch a genetically designed and manufactured vaccine or booster. The profession's abysmal performance on government responses to covid, and on the risks and efficacy of the covid vaccines has opened a divide between them and the community they were meant to serve, but failed.
- 3. Most of us can point to examples of a worsening of the bonds of society triggered by government mandates and prosecutions of programs, a situation that lingers to this day:
  - The right of people to decide to not subject themselves to experimental
    vaccines was not honoured, and was in fact punished for example, they
    were barred from licensed premises, and this fractured small-town sporting
    and social clubs, which lost some vital people they could ill-offord;
  - Non-vaccinated people were viewed with distrust by the vaccinated, and shunned in many cases.

One wonders whether the drivers for these lockdowns of basic freedoms was genuine fear of the unknown, opportunity to exercise authority, or a desire to follow the world leaders in a push towards one world government. But what resulted from covid in Australia was that good government in a democratic society was overturned by the very people tasked with the mission, in Abraham Lincoln's words, to serve their country with:

"government of the people, by the people, and for the people"

End of submission