



Tasmania Police

# Referrals from the Weiss Independent Review into Paul Reynolds

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# Introduction

In the course of the Weiss Independent Review into Paul Reynolds, people with information about grooming and/or sexual abuse committed by other former or serving Tasmania Police officers participated in private sessions with reviewer Regina Weiss. In that context, the review made seven referrals to Tasmania Police. This report provides the status of those referrals at 3 July 2024.

Information about the Independent Review, including the full report, findings and recommendations, is available at [police.tas.gov.au/commission-of-inquiry/weiss-independent-review](https://police.tas.gov.au/commission-of-inquiry/weiss-independent-review)

TABLE 1

#	Date of alleged offence	Allegation	TasPol aware of the allegation prior to the referral	Employment status at time of alleged offence	Current serving officer	Status
1	1999	Child sexual abuse	Yes	Police officer	No	Under investigation
2	2002	Breach of the Police Service Act 2003 s.42(2) – Fail to act with care and diligence	No	Police officer	Yes	No breach*
3	1981	Assault with indecent intent	Yes	Police officer	No	DPP Opinion – No Pros**
4	Unknown	Third-party information relating to an alleged sexual assault	Yes	Police officer	Yes	Unverified information; victim unknown
5	1970-1980s	Child sexual abuse	No	Police officer	No – deceased	Victim elected to participate in a restorative justice process with Commissioner of Police
6	1984-1987	Child sexual abuse	Yes	Police officer	No	Under investigation
7	1984-1987	Inaction (failure to action a report of child sexual abuse)	Yes	Police officer	No	No breach*

## KEY TO TERMS

Term	Definition
*No Breach	It was determined that No Breach of the Code of Conduct occurred.
**DPP Opinion – No Pros	The matter was referred to the office of the Director of Public Prosecutions which recommended no prosecution of the officer, having regard to available evidence, public interest and the likelihood of a conviction.