



## **Correction required regarding falsely reporting The Hon Dennis Cowdroy has charged RSL NSW for his legal advice**

Recent news reports have stated that The Hon Dennis Cowdroy has charged RSL NSW for his legal advice and was present at a State Council meeting at which the Councillors resolved to pay such fees.

This report is a falsehood.

Mr Cowdroy is the Honorary Counsel for the State Branch of the League, a position he has held since 1974. At no time has Mr Cowdroy, in more than 40 years of service to the State Branch, charged any fees for his advice and guidance, upon which the State Branch has greatly valued over this period. Nor has Mr Cowdroy rendered any fees to the State Branch in respect of current legal issues involving the State Branch.

Contrary to media reports, Mr Cowdroy was not present at the meeting of State Council when legal costs were considered.

The State Branch of the League profoundly apologises for the erroneous media report, for the misleading information caused by the media publications, and for any concern or embarrassment caused to Mr Cowdroy by the false report.

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### **About RSL NSW**

The purpose of the RSL is to support serving and ex-service personnel and their families, ensuring the best life for them upon returning home. Since 1916, the RSL has evolved to ensure it can continue to deliver services that improve the welfare of past, current and future veterans. The RSL supports personnel and their families at each stage of life to transition from service into the community.

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