

## Circular to Shareholders & Clerks: Security & alarm responses in Wentworth & Selborne and Lockhart Chambers

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Counsel's Chambers Limited has recently made the transition to a new security company.

The new security company, Allied Security Management, will provide security guard personnel, after hours patrols, alarm responses and emergency callouts for Wentworth & Selborne and Lockhart Chambers. The 24/7 emergency contact number for Allied Security Management is 1300 003 456. The duties and times for the security guards on site remains unchanged.

Members should note that the building's entrances are connected to the buildings alarm systems and are monitored outside of business hours. Should the alarm be activated, which occurs when the doors are held open, security guards are dispatched to attend site and charges will apply.

For those Floors that have monitored duress alarms installed, the anticipated response time for this service is 30 minutes and will vary depending on the location of the closest security guard within the CBD and traffic congestion. The Australian standard for alarm responses between 06:00 and 18:00 on weekdays is 90 minutes and 45 minutes for weekends and afterhours.

When a duress alarm is activated, the security monitoring company will notify Allied Security Management and CCL in that order. As a consequence of a large number of false alarms in NSW recently, NSW Police have amended their Alarm Activation Response Guidelines resulting in NSW police no longer responding to duress alarms. **Where circumstances require Police attendance, call 000.**

If you have any further questions, please contact Karl Fletcher on 9231 3644.

Kind regards,

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