# Petition summary document: Information relating to applications for the exercise of the Royal prerogative of mercy and applications under s 76 *Crimes (Appeal and Review) Act 2001*

**Summary of petitions declined and granted in 2019**

This document has been prepared for the purpose of providing a summary of applications for the exercise of the Royal prerogative of mercy and applications under section 76 of the *Crimes (Appeal and Review) Act 2001* (collectively, ‘petitions’) which have been determined between 31 October 2018 and 31 December 2019 by the Governor of NSW, on the advice of the Attorney General. The document aims to promote open justice and transparency while protecting the privacy and public interest concerns involved in the consideration of petitions.

**Declined petitions**

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| **Number** | **Date declined** | **Nature of offence** | **Grounds on which review sought** |
| 1. | 23/1/2019 | Driving offence | Contrition, undue hardship |
| 2. | 02/10/2019 | Possession of prohibited drug | Contrition, undue hardship and rehabilitation |
| 3 | 16/10/2019 | Supply prohibited drug | Contrition, undue hardship |
| 4 | 27/11/2019 | Remain on inclosed lands; Assault x 2; Intentionally or recklessly destroy/damage property | Denies committing offence, undue hardship and good behaviour/character |
| 5 | 27/11/2019 | Murder | Coerced to make certain admissions, incompetence of legal counsel |

**Granted petitions**

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| **Name** | **Date granted** | **Nature of offence** | **Reasons** |
| MK | 12/6/2019 | Carnal knowledge | * Age of petitioner at the time of the offences and consequential availability of the complete defence of similar age under s80AG of the *Crimes Act 1900* if events took place today. * Degree of adverse impact to the petitioner with respect to current employment and prospects of securing further employment in the relevant field. |
| ABC | The petitioner was granted a parole order under s160AD of the *Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999* on the basis of post-sentence assistance the petitioner rendered to law enforcement authorities.  The Attorney General exercises his discretion to decline to release any additional information on the basis that it may jeopardise the safety of the petitioner and others. | | |