

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND
PALMERSTON NORTH REGISTRY**

**CIV-2012-454-134
[2013] NZHC 313**

IN THE MATTER OF an application for an examination order
 under s 106 of the Criminal Proceeds
 (Recovery) Act 2009

BETWEEN THE COMMISSIONER, THE
 NEW ZEALAND POLICE
 Applicant

AND TANGITEPU TANGITEPU
 Respondent

Appearances: (On the papers)

Judgment: 25 February 2013

**DECISION OF WILLIAMS J
(ON APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION ORDER)**

*In accordance with r 11.5, I direct the Registrar to endorse this judgment
with the delivery time of 4.30pm on the 25th February 2013.*

[1] The Commissioner of Police applies for an examination order against Tangitepu Tangitepu, the registered owner of two vehicles, a Holden Commodore and Audi A4.

[2] The application arises from Operation Stamp which saw several members of the Tribesmen/Rebels Motorcycle Gang and a member of the Mongrel Mob convicted and imprisoned for lengthy periods.

[3] The police have reason to believe that the two vehicles in question were bought with proceeds from the sale of drugs within the penumbra of Operation Stamp and that the respondent, Mr Tangitepu, is in fact a mere nominee of Craig Matthews, the central figure in Operation Stamp.

[4] I am satisfied that the Commissioner of Police has reasonable cause to believe that Tangitepu Tangitepu will be in a position to answer the questions in relation to these matters, to supply information or to produce documents demonstrating the true owner of the vehicles.

[5] The examination order is granted accordingly.

Williams J