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STEVEN ROSS

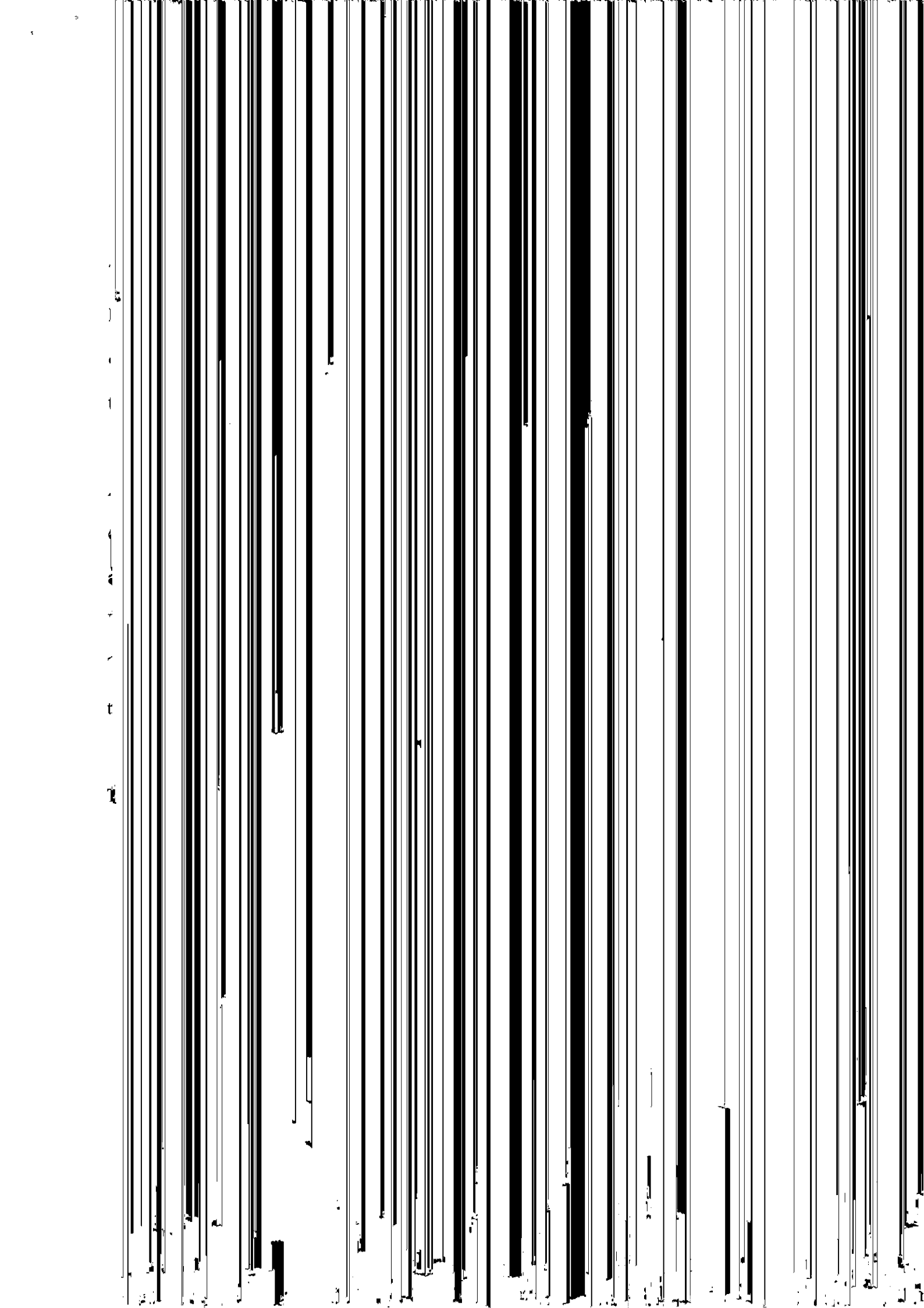
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For the Complainant:

For the Respondent:

Heard: 18 Octob

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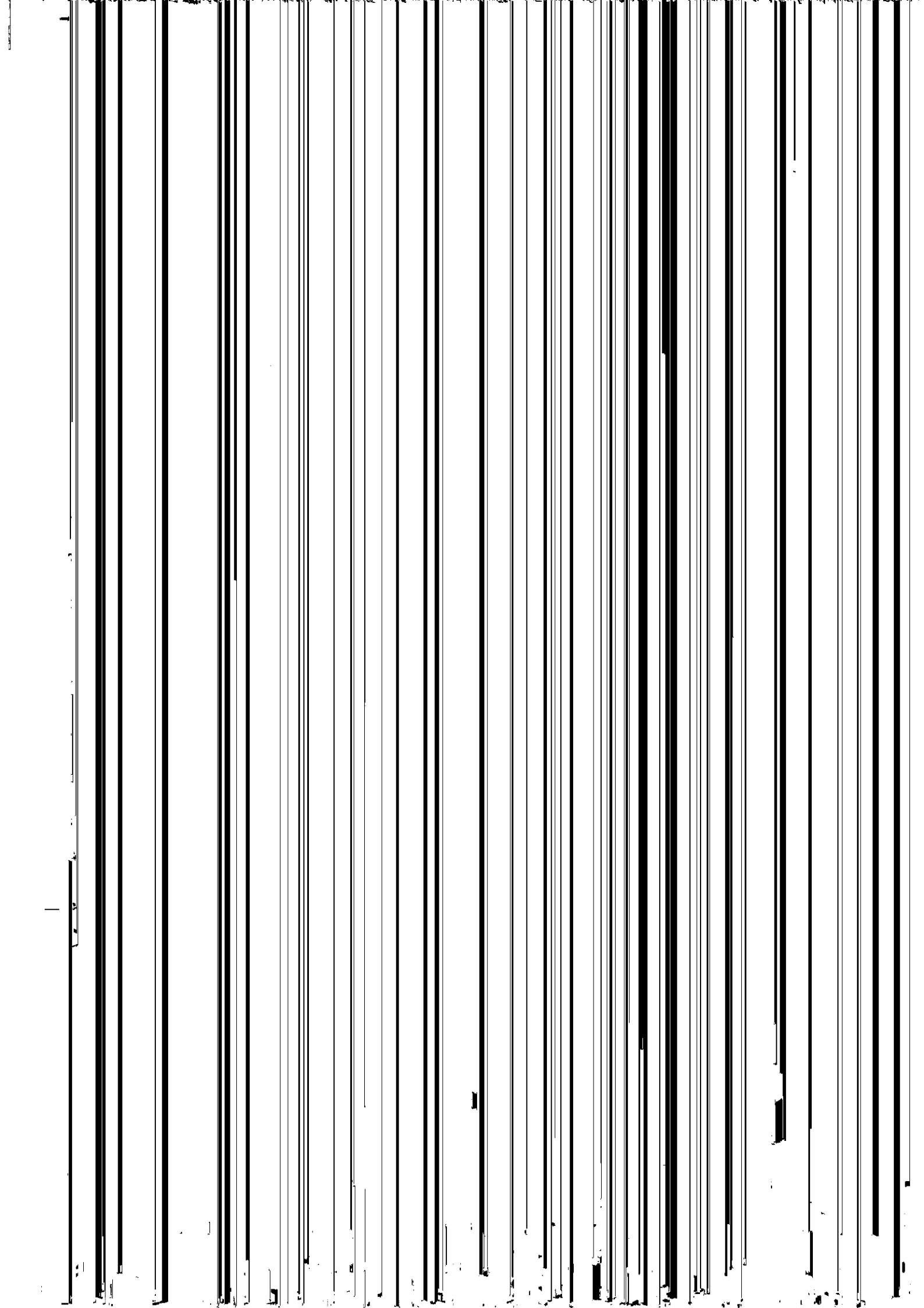
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As a consequence of this  
Claim were filed on behalf of  
written complaint. The Tribunal  
against her on the grounds that  
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Equal Opportunity Act 1975.

The Tribunal pauses to note that  
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Particulars concerning the  
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The Tribunal also heard evidence from Mr Van der Meer, the driver of the taxi that took the complainant to Burswood Casino at the relevant time. Mr Van der Meer said that after being told about the difficulty of finding the complainant's home, she was well-dressed and appeared to be in her late 20s or early 30s. Mr Van der Meer said that he did not give evidence before the Tribunal.

"I pulled up at the casino and the lady approached me and asked me if I could take her home. She said, 'To Balga's home.' ...the lady said she was in her late 20s or early 30s and she had her handbag with her. She said, 'To Balga's home' which I gave her, with the address where she was now, and when we arrived she was in her late 20s or early 30s (she was) sober, properly dressed and appeared to be in her late 20s or early 30s.

Mr Ross said in evidence that he had worked as a taxi driver for many years and that he had seen many taxi drivers to the risk of complaint. For example, if a female passenger complained during the course of the journey if he did not take her to her home, a complaint could be made by the Taxi Control Board because of the risk of complaint.

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