HEARSAY THE LEGAL PODCAST

ELEMENTS OF COERCIVE CONTROL

What you need to know about the offence

IT IS COURSE OF ABUSIVE CONDUCT...

The relevant abusive conduct must be more than a single instance and *repeated* or *continuous*.

AGAINST A CURRENT OR FORMER INTIMATE PARTNER

The legislation excludes family and friends, meaning the offence is only applicable to intimate partner relationships - past or current.

WITH THE INTENTION OF CONTROL OR COERCION

The course of conduct must be undertaken with a view to controlling or coercing a past or current intimate partner.

WHICH A REASONABLE PERSON WOULD PERCEIVE AS LIKELY TO CAUSE A FEAR OF VIOLENCE OR SERIOUS ADVERSE IMPACT

This perception is regardless of whether the fear or impact is *in fact* caused to the victim.