

**Consultation**

Film tax offsets - definition of a 'documentary'

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As a director and producer of documentary films and programs for television for 30 years I support the new proposed definition of 'documentary' for the purposes of administering and determining the Producer Offset by Screen Australia.

I also strongly support Screen Australia having an overseer role to determine 'narrative arc' in any proposed work in relationship to the definition.

I was shocked that the program at the center of the court case could be considered in anyway a documentary for the purposes of receiving the Offset and so welcome these changes to ensure that Offset support is only available for genuine documentary films and programs.