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Federal Court / Full Court

Sutherland v National Disability Insurance Agency (VID 248/2024) (on reserve), for the Respondent, led by Andrew Berger KC, instructed by Maddocks Lawyers

CEPU v Registered Organisations Commissioner (No 2) [2021] FCAFC 56 for the Respondent, led by Daniel Star QC, instructed by Landers & Rogers

CEPU v Registered Organisations Commissioner [2020] FCAFC, for the respondent, led by Daniel Star QC, instructed by Landers & Rogers

Registered Organisations Commissioner v CEPU [2020] FCA 96, for the applicant, led by Dominique Hogan-Doran SC, instructed by Landers & Rogers

Ahmed v Minister for Immigration, Citizen and Multicultural Affairs [2020] FCA 557, for the applicant, instructed by Kerdo Legal

Azaria Family Day Care Pty Ltd v Secretary, Department of Education and Training [2018] FCA 1640, stay application, for the applicant, instructed by Kalus Kenny Intellect

Minister for Immigration and Border Protection v BJC16 [2017] FCAFC 114, for the respondent, led by Guy Gilbert SC, instructed by Kerdo Legal

MZZLO v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection (No 2) [2016] FCA 356, led by Guy Gilbert SC, for the applicant, instructed by Wimal and Associates

MZABP v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection [2015] FCA 1391, for the applicant, instructed by Kerdo Legal

Supreme Court / Court of Appeal

Jeshing Property Management Pty Ltd v Yang [2023] VSCA 185, restrictive covenants, for the 5th-7th, and 12th respondents, instructed by Mitrakis, Savas & Co

Zwierlein v Coelho [2021] VSC 451, for the applicants, led by Matthew Townsend, instructed by MPW Lawyers

City of Stonnington v Wallish [2021] VSC 84, for the Council, led by Matthew Townsend, direct access

Gray v Minister for Energy, Environment & Climate Change [2019] VSC 382, for the CFA, instructed by in house lawyers

CZG v Victims of Crime Assistant Tribunal [2019] VSC 203, for the applicant, led by Malcolm Harding SC, instructed by Gordon Legal

Secretary to the Department of Health & Human Services v Children's Court of Victoria [2018] VSC 183, for the Secretary, instructed by the Department of Health and Human Services

¹ In date order, by Court.

Environment East Gippsland Inc v Secretary to the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and VicForests (Supreme Court, 2016, settled), for the plaintiff, led by Richard Niall QC, Kristen Walker QC and Phoebe Knowles

Re H W J [2015] VSC 170, for the Attorney-General, instructed by the VGSO

Zhong v Royal Melbourne Hospital [2013] VSCA 220, for the defendant, instructed by the Victorian Government Solicitor's Office

A & B v Children's Court of Victoria & Ors [2012] VSC 589, for the Secretary, led by Emrys Nekvapil

Federal Circuit Court

DWN16 v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection [2018] FCCA 1911, for the applicant, instructed by Kerdo Legal

VCAT

Heath v Wangaratta RCC [2025] VCAT 754 (for Megan and Damian O'Keefe and others, direct access)

Radonic v Yarra CC [2024] VCAT 587, for Radonic, direct access

JD Bridport Street 1 Pty Ltd v Port Phillip CC [2024] VCAT 440, for residents/objectors, direct access

BEG Projects Pty Ltd v Merri-bek CC [2023] VCAT 483, for the Council, direct brief

Valente v Monash CC [2023] VCAT 729, for the Council, direct access

Valente v Monash CC [2023] VCAT 989, for Monash CC, with Louise Hicks

Development Victoria v Knox CC [2023] VCAT 1094, for respondents/objectors, instructed by Jeff Cranston & Associates

Indev Projects Pty Ltd v Whitehorse CC [2023] VCAT 378, for the objectors, direct access

Kyparissoudis v Melbourne CC [2023] VCAT 803, for Kyparissoudis, direct access

Award Property Group Pty Ltd v Bayside CC [2021] VCAT 1375, for L Scott, objector, direct access

Richmond 048 Service Pty Ltd v Yarra CC [2021] VCAT 131, for Corinnau Pty Ltd, instructed by Mr Myles Watson, MPW Lawyers

Parshotam v Pinfold (Building and Property) [2021] VCAT 265, for the applicants, direct access

Fabcot Pty Ltd v Glen Eira CC [2022] VCAT 1024, for the residents, direct access

Odyssey House Victoria v Benalla Rural City Council [2021] VCAT 1542, for the respondents, led by Louise Hicks, direct access

Berecz v Casey City Council [2021] VCAT 1336, application to vary single dwelling restrictive covenant to permit second dwelling, instructed by Hunt and Hunt Lawyers

Lucarano Pty Ltd v Monash CC [2021] VCAT 1050, application to cancel permit, for the respondent/permit applicant, instructed by Tao Jiang Lawyers

Yu v Maroondah CC [2021] VCAT 74 for the developer, direct access

Lamacchia v Darebin City Council [2020] VCAT 1242 for the residents, direct access

Sheen v Mornington Peninsula Shire Council [2020] VCAT 436 for the developer, instructed by Rigby Cooke

Clarendon Works Pty Ltd v Port Phillip CC [2018] VCAT 956 led by Christopher Canavan KC, for the developer, instructed by Rigby Cooke

Australian Lebanese Zahle Association of Victoria v Moreland CC [2018] VCAT 1534, for the respondents, direct access

LCM Calvary Health Care Holdings Ltd v Glen Eira CC (Red Dot) [2018] VCAT 655, for the objector, direct access

DCF 407 King Street Developing Entity v Melbourne CC [2017] VCAT 423, for Haileybury College, objector, led by Susan Brennan SC, instructed by Norton Rose

Monsoon Bay Pty Ltd v Whitehorse CC [2017] VCAT 217, for the developer, led by Susan Brennan SC, instructed by Norton Rose

Elfah Pty Ltd v Darebin CC [2017] VCAT 1036, for the Council, direct access

Parc Vue Projects Pty Ltd v Darebin CC [2017] VCAT 1602, for the Council, direct access

Neo v Wyndham CC [2017] VCAT 1679, for the developer, direct access

Kabala v Stonnington CC [2017] VCAT 1347, for the objector, direct access

Mornington Peninsula SC v Coleus Investments Pty Ltd [2017] VCAT 1241, for the developer, direct access

Talbot v Yarra CC [2017] VCAT 1515, for the objector, direct access

Nicholls v Queenscliffe BC [2017] VCAT 1573, for the objector, direct access

AAT / AART

Butic v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 76, for the Agency

ZNVT by his Nominee ZNVT(N) v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 1824, for the Agency, instructed by Maddocks

VWJC v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 840, for the Agency, instructed by Moray & Agnew

SMNL v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 1512, for the Agency, instructed by Sparke Helmore Lawyers

Brandon Trapezanidis by his Nominee George Trapezanidis v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 1674, for the Agency, instructed by Sparke Helmore Lawyers

WVGM v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 47, for the Agency, instructed by Makinson d'Apice Lawyers

DYJR v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2025] ARTA 186, for the Agency, instructed by Moray & Agnew

NMPQ v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2024] ARTA 96, for the Agency, instructed by Moray & Agnew

Defa v CEO, National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIS) [2024] ARTA 34, for the Agency, instructed by Maddocks Lawyers

Azaria Family Day Care Pty Ltd v Secretary, Department of Education [2023] AATA 1858, for the applicant, instructed by Kalus Kenny Intellect

Premier Choice Family Day Care Pty Ltd v Secretary, Department of Education and Training (AAT) (2019), for the applicant, instructed by Kalus Kenny Intellect (withdrawn)

Lolic v Comcare [2019] AATA 3944, for Comcare, in house instructor

Stathopoulos v Comcare [2018] AATA 651, for Comcare, in house instructor

Other – Panels, Boards, Coroners

Surf Coast - Distinctive Areas and Landscapes Standing Advisory Committee (2021), for the Surf Coast Shire Council, led by Louise Hicks, direct access

Warburton Mountain Bike EES/IAC hearing (March 2022) for the Victorian National Parks Association, instructed by Brendan Sydes, lawyer

Disability Royal Commission (2022), for various clients giving evidence, Public Hearing 26

DHHS v [confidential 1] (2019) Suitability Panel, for the respondent, instructed by the ASU

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DHHS v [confidential 3] (2019) Suitability Panel, for the respondent, instructed by the ASU

Inquest into the death of Neil Williamson (2016), for the chief commissioner of police, instructed by Norton Rose Fulbright

Inquest into the death of Jessica Wilson (2014), for the family, instructed by Youth Law

Dick v Voros [2013] FWC 6715

Published / Seminar Papers

‘Restrictive Covenant Removal: tales from the planning permit route’ (2022) published in VPELA Revue March 2022 pp 15-16.

‘The New Infrastructure Contribution System in Growth Area Communities: Issues Emerging’ – Seminar paper prepared and delivered for *Legalwise*, March 2021

‘Applying the Apprehended Bias Test: A Nuanced and Balanced Approach’ – Seminar Paper prepared with Nicholas Green QC for *Legalwise*, June 2018

‘Facts and Evidence in Administrative Law: Does It Matter?’ – Seminar Paper prepared with Nicholas Green QC for *Legalwise*, 2017

‘It Is (Not) Ok to Offer “Black Babies” to Indigenous Employees in the Commonwealth Public Service’ (2016) 23(3) *Australian Journal of Administrative Law* 119 (case note on *Mata-Meyer v Commonwealth* [2015] FCAFC 139 – race discrimination complaint)