

## HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

The High Court continues to consider how to improve public access to its hearings. Hearings of the Court are open to the public and the transcript of each hearing is published and available free of charge through the Court's website. The High Court currently publishes on its website audio-visual recordings of Full Court proceedings heard in Canberra.

The High Court of Australia will take the further step of making available to the public a live stream of its special leave hearings from August 2023. The live stream will be accessible via the High Court website (<a href="https://www.hcourt.gov.au/cases/cases-av/sla-live-streaming">https://www.hcourt.gov.au/cases/cases-av/sla-live-streaming</a>). Conditions attaching to accessing the live stream are published on the live stream page. Audio-visual recordings of the special leave hearings will not be published.

The Court's decision to take this further step was made having regard to the nature of the special leave process and the format of special leave hearings. This decision is not intended to set any precedent in relation to other High Court hearings or hearings in other courts.