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IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA  
MELBOURNE REGISTRY

BETWEEN:

**JOHN MICHAEL TAMBAKAKIS**

Appellant

- and -

**THE QUEEN**

Respondent

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**APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY**

**Part I: Certification**

1. This chronology is in a form suitable for publication on the internet.

**Part II: Chronology of Principal Events**

- 20 2. 'JCAB' refers to the Joint Core Appeal Book. 'ABFM' refers to the Appellant's Book of Further Materials.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Reference</b>
1 October 2017	Sections 44J and 44K inserted into the <i>Jury Directions Act 2015</i> (Vic).	<b>JCAB</b> <b>237 – 238</b>
13 August 2019	Indictment specifying one charge against Tambakakis, Awad and Kanati signed on 13 August 2019 was filed in open court.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>5 – 9</b>
13 August 2019	The three accused (Tambakakis, Awad and Kanati) arraigned on the indictment before the jury panel, each pleading "not guilty" to the one charge, and the jury empanelled.	
3 September 2019 – 4 September 2019	Tambakakis affirmed and gave evidence before the jury.	<b>ABFM</b> <b>4 – 140</b>

4 September 2019	Learned Trial Judge indicated that he would give a direction to the jury about the fact that Tambakakis had given evidence.	<b>ABFM</b> <b>141 – 142</b>
5 September 2019 – 6 September 2019	Learned Prosecutor’s final address to the jury.	
5 September 2019	Learned Prosecutor’s final address included: “There are various explanations that can be offered for why an accused person in Mr Tambakakis's position gave evidence in the witness box which appeared to be so implausible.”	<b>ABFM</b> <b>143</b>
6 September 2019	Tambakakis’s final address to the jury.	
9 September 2019	Awad’s final address to the jury.	
9 September 2019	Tambakakis’s Senior Counsel provided the Learned Trial Judge with an extract from the Bench Book relating to the charge on the accused giving evidence.	<b>ABFM</b> <b>144</b>
9 September 2019	Kanati’s final address to the jury.	
9 September 2019	Learned Trial Judge’s charge to the jury commenced.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>10</b>
9 September 2019	Impugned direction given within the charge to the jury.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>32</b>
9 September 2019 – 10 September 2019	Exception taken to the impugned direction and discussion between Learned Trial Judge and counsel.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>41 – 47 &amp;</b> <b>58 – 60</b>
10 September 2019	Learned Trial Judge’s charge to the jury continues.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>87 &amp; ff</b>

10 September 2019	Learned Trial Judge's charge to the jury concludes and the jury retired to commence their deliberations.	<b>JCAB 179</b>
12 September 2019	Jury returned verdicts of "guilty" against Tambakakis and Awad.	<b>JCAB 190</b>
12 September 2019	Jury discharged without verdict in the case of Kanati.	
8 November 2019	Pleas in mitigation of sentence conducted on behalf of Tambakakis and Awad.	
12 November 2019	Tambakakis and Awad both sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment in respect of which a non-parole period of 10 years was fixed, and a declaration with respect to pre-sentence detention made.	<b>JCAB 191 – 202</b>
16 November 2020	Notice of application for leave to appeal against conviction filed in the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Victoria ("the Court below") by Tambakakis.	<b>JCAB 209 – 213</b>
16 November 2020	Notice of application for leave to appeal against sentence filed in the Court below by Tambakakis.	<b>JCAB 214 – 217</b>
24 August 2021	Applications for leave to appeal against conviction and sentence by both Tambakakis and Awad heard by the Court below.	
15 October 2021	Judgment given by the Court below and orders made by the Court below granting the application for leave to appeal against conviction, dismissing the appeal against conviction and refusing leave to appeal against sentence.	<b>JCAB 218 – 290 &amp; 293</b>
12 November 2021	Application for special leave filed in the High Court of Australia by Tambakakis.	

17 June 2022	Order is made by the High Court granting special leave to appeal.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>306 – 307</b>
29 June 2022	Tambakakis’s notice of appeal filed in the High Court of Australia.	<b>JCAB</b> <b>308 – 310</b>

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