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Appellant M81/2024

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA MELBOURNE REGISTRY

BETWEEN:

**DZY (A PSEUDONYM)** 

Appellant

and

## TRUSTEES OF THE CHRISTIAN BROTHERS

Respondent

## APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY

### **Part I:** Certification

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

# Part II: Chronology

Date	Event	Reference
1964 to 1968	The appellant attends St Alipius Boys School in	CAB 52, COA [1];
	Ballarat. He alleges that while a student in grades 3	CAB 7, SC [1]
	to 6, he was sexually assaulted by Brother Robert	
	Best and Brother Gerald Fitzgerald.	
January 2011	The appellant contacts the firm of Waller Legal. He	CAB 56, COA [25]
	engages that firm to act on his behalf for a claim	
	against the Christian Brothers.	
11 January 2011	Dr Vivian Waller of Waller Legal writes to the	CAB 56, COA
	appellant. She notes difficulties associated with his	[25], SGK -1
	case including the expiration of the limitation of	ABFM 11-12
	actions period and difficulties in identifying the	
	correct entity to sue.	

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By May 2012	The Christian Brothers agree to progress the	CAB 57, COA
	appellant's claim through an alternative dispute	[27]; CAB 10, SC
	resolution process.	[19]–[20]
21 September	The appellant meets with Dr Waller and counsel.	CAB 57, COA [28]
2012	He is advised as to the legal complexity of his	
	claim.	
21 November	Settlement conference is held in respect of the	CAB 58, COA [32]
2012	appellant's claim.	
	The appellant is given a final offer of \$80,000	CAB 58, COA [34]
	(including costs).	
29 November	Dr Waller writes to the appellant about the	CAB 58-59, COA
2012	settlement offer.	[35], SGK-9
		ABFM 16-17
13 December	The appellant signs an Instructions to Settle Claim	CAB 59, COA
2012	form provided by Waller Legal.	[38], SGK -11
		ABFM 18-19
14 December	The appellant signs the 2012 deed of settlement.	CAB 59, COA [39]
2012		
Early 2015	Dr Waller invites the Christian Brothers to consider	CAB 60, COA [44]
	making a further payment due to the Christian	
	Brothers' failure to make full disclosure during the	
	2012 settlement process.	
July 2015	The appellant gives instructions to Waller Legal to	CAB 60, COA [45]
	accept a further payment of \$20,000.	
9 December 2015	The appellant signs the 2015 deed of settlement.	CAB 61, COA [49]
July 2021	The appellant commences a proceeding against the	CAB 52, COA [4]
	Trustees of the Christian Brothers in the Supreme	
	Court of Victoria. He claims damages for pain and	
	suffering, medical expenses and for economic loss.	
21 March 2023	Associate Justice Irving makes orders pursuant to s	CAB 42
	27QE(1) of the Limitation of Actions Act 1958 (Vic)	
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	setting aside the 2012 and 2015 settlement	
	agreements.	
2 May 2023	The respondent applies for leave to appeal to the	CAB 43–48
	Court of Appeal from the orders of Irving AsJ.	
23 April 2024	The Court of Appeal (Beach, Macaulay and Lyons	CAB 88–89
	JJA) makes orders allowing the appeal and setting	
	aside the orders of Irving AsJ.	
	The Court orders, pursuant to s 27QE(1) of the	
	Limitation of Actions Act 1958 (Vic), that the 2012	
	and 2015 settlement agreements be set aside only in	
	part such that the appellant 'be permitted to bring	
	his claim for damages as framed at the time of [the	
	deeds], that is a claim for loss and damage	
	excluding any economic loss'.	
5 September 2024	Special leave to appeal is granted	CAB 98
19 September	Notice of appeal is filed.	CAB 100
2024		

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