

IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
SYDNEY REGISTRY

No. S196 of 2019

BETWEEN:

ANNIKA SMETHURST
First plaintiff

NATIONWIDE NEWS PTY LTD
Second plaintiff

and

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
First defendant

JAMES LAWTON
Second defendant



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PLAINTIFFS' CHRONOLOGY

20 PART I: PUBLICATION

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

PART II: CHRONOLOGY

Date	Event	Reference
13 February 2018 to 29 April 2018	ASD created a document which contained text identical to text shown in images in articles subsequently published by Nationwide News.	SC [11]
29 April 2018	Nationwide News published three articles authored by Ms Smethurst in the paper copy of The Sunday Telegraph and two articles authored by Ms Smethurst on the website www.dailytelegraph.com.au .	SC [10]; SCB 15-26
30 April 2018	Publication of the articles of 28 April 2018 referred to the AFP for investigation	SC [13]
31 May 2019	Magistrate Lawton issued the First Warrant and the s 3LA Order.	SC [15.1], [15.2]; SCB 28-36
3 June 2019	Magistrate Lawton issued the Second Warrant.	SC [17]; SCB 38-43
4 June 2019	Members of the AFP: 1. searched Ms Smethurst's residential premises,	SC [20]

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	<p>purportedly pursuant to the Second Warrant;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="459 327 1120 434">2. required Ms Smethurst to give them the passcode to unlock her mobile telephone, purportedly pursuant to the s 3LA Order;<li data-bbox="459 454 1120 595">3. having used the passcode provided by Ms Smethurst, searched data from Ms Smethurst's phone and copied certain documents onto a USB; and<li data-bbox="459 616 1120 723">4. removed the USB from Ms Smethurst's premises, purportedly pursuant to the Second Warrant and/or s 3L(1A) of the <i>Crimes Act</i>.	
3 July 2019	Solicitors for the plaintiffs requested copies of the documents used to procure the issue of the Second Warrant.	SC [26]
10 July 2019	Solicitors for the First Defendant declined to provide the documents used to procure the issue of the Second Warrant.	SC [26]
4 September 2019	Members of the AFP purportedly executed a search warrant at the premises of a Mr Gill.	SC [23]

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