IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA SYDNEY REGISTRY

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No. S67 of 2011

BETWEEN:

MICHAEL WILSON AND PARTNERS LIMITED

Appellant

and

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ROBERT COLIN NICHOLLS

First Respondent

DAVID ROSS SLATER

Second Respondent

TEMUJIN SERVICES LIMITED

Third Respondent

TEMUJIN INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

Fourth Respondent

TEMUJIN INTERNATIONAL FZE

Fifth Respondent

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APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY

Part I:

The Appellant certifies that this chronology is in a form suitable for publication on the Internet.

Part II:

Set out below is a chronology of the principal events leading to, during and after the litigation. Part A of the chronology relates to the abuse of process question in this appeal (paragraph 2 of the Notice of Appeal). Part B of the chronology related to the apprehended bias and waiver questions in this appeal (paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Notice of Appeal).

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Part A: Abuse of Process Chronology

Date	Event	Appeal Book Ref
14 August 2006	MWP served a Notice of Arbitration on Emmott, commencing an arbitration in London.	
9 October 2006	MWP commenced Supreme Court of NSW proceedings No. 50151 of 2006 against the Respondents.	
5 December 2006	MWP invited Emmott to consent to being joined to the NSW proceedings.	
21 December 2006	Emmott declined to be joined to the NSW proceedings and threatened an anti-suit injunction should MWP take any steps to do so.	
10 November 2008	The London arbitration hearing commenced on the issue on liability only.	
15 June 2009	The trial of the NSW proceedings commenced before Einstein J on all issues (liability and quantum).	
10 September 2009	The trial of the NSW proceedings concluded.	
6 October 2009	Einstein J published reasons in the NSW Proceeding.	
11 December 2009	Einstein J published supplementary reasons and made final orders.	
14 December 2009	The respondents filed a Notice of Appeal in the NSW Court of Appeal.	
22 February 2010	The Arbitral Tribunal published an interim award on liability only, entitled the "Second Interim Arbitral Award".	

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22 March 2010	MWP filed a Claim Form (Arbitration) in the High Court of Justice challenging parts of the Interim Award under s 68 (serious irregularity) and s 69 (error of law) of the Arbitration Act 1996 (UK).	
24 March 2010	The Arbitral Tribunal published its 17th Procedural Order consequent upon the Award.	
6 April 2010	The Arbitral Tribunal published a "Clarification" of the Award.	
26 – 30 July 2010	The Appeal was heard before Basten and Young JJA, and Lindgren AJA.	
3 September 2010	The Court of Appeal delivered judgment.	
11 March 2011	The High Court (French CJ and Heydon J) granted the appellant special leave to appeal from the judgment of the Court of Appeal.	

Part B: Apprehended Bias and Waiver Chronology

Date	Event	Appeal Book Ref
26 March 2007	Ex parte application by the appellant before Einstein J. Einstein J made confidential orders, inter alia: (a) granting the appellant leave to issue a subpoena to Macquarie Bank; (b) permitting the dissemination to the appellant of confidential disclosure affidavits prepared by the first and second respondent; (c) permitting the use of the disclosure affidavits in proceedings to be brought in the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court and in possible criminal proceedings in Switzerland.	
5 April 2007	Einstein J ordered that the then existing confidentiality regime be removed save for any	

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	reference to possible Swiss criminal proceedings.
10 April 2007	Ex parte application by the appellant before Einstein J.
	Einstein J made confidential orders granting the appellant leave, <i>inter alia</i> , to use the disclosure affidavits for the purpose of making a proposed criminal complaint in Switzerland against Mr Emmott and Mr Rise and in relation to other overseas investigations.
12 April 2007	Einstein J handed down judgment in relation to the Appellant's motion of 10 April 2007.
6 June 2007	At Einstein J's request, an ex parte hearing occurred to consider the extent to which the confidentiality of the proceedings so far as they concerned possible Swiss criminal proceedings needed to be continued.
8 June 2007	Upon receiving evidence from the appellant, Einstein J was satisfied that the confidentiality regime be continued.
6 June 2008	The Respondents filed an application seeking access to documents in a sealed envelope on the Court file marked "Confidential-not to be opened until further order of the Court" pursuant to the orders of Einstein J dated 18 and 31 October 2007.
13 June 2008	Bergin J ordered that the Respondents' legal representatives were at liberty to inspect the documents in the envelope, subject to an inspection regime.
4 June 2009	The Respondents objected to Einstein J hearing the trial of the proceedings. Einstein J declined to recuse himself but offered to make an order from which the defendants could seek leave to appeal so

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	as to test his decision.	-
9 June 2009	The Respondents' advised that they maintained their objection to Einstein J hearing the trial and proposed to appeal on the issue of bias if Einstein J made an adverse final judgment against them.	
15 June 2009	The trial commenced. [See further under Part A]	

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