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IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
MELBOURNE REGISTRY

BETWEEN:

FARM TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

Appellant

and

THE GAME MEATS COMPANY OF AUSTRALIA PTY LTD

Respondent

APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY

Part I: CERTIFICATION

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

Part II: CHRONOLOGY OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS

Date	Event	Core Appeal Book reference
9 January 2024	Agents of the appellant (FTI), entered the premises occupied by the respondent (GMC),	9 [6]
3 February 2024	without GMC's permission, for the purposes of installing and, later, retrieving covert video	10 [7]
17 February 2024	recording equipment, and obtaining footage of the abattoir operations at the premises.	
2 April 2024		
7 April 2024		
13 April 2024		
3 May 2024	Ms McDonald-Eckersall, on behalf of FTI, sent correspondence and provided video footage of	10 [8] 18-19 [53]

	activity at the GMC's abattoir, by way of complaint to the Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry and to Senator Murray Watt.	
Circa mid-May 2024	Ms McDonald-Eckersall, on behalf of FTI, sent the footage to a local Channel Seven television network.	10 [9] 19-20 [58]
17 May 2024	Channel Seven ran a story about the matters depicted in the footage. FTI uploaded a copy of the footage to its website. GMC commenced proceedings in the Federal Court of Australia and obtained orders, <i>ex parte</i> , to restrain FTI from publishing the footage. Upon receipt of the <i>ex parte</i> orders, FTI took steps to remove the footage from its website.	10 [9] 20 [61] 21 [63] 10 [10] 23 [65] 23 [65]
5-9 August and 3 September 2024	The trial in the Federal Court of Australia was heard.	7
19 December 2024	The primary judge delivered his reasons for judgment and ordered that there be judgment in part for GMC.	5 74
31 January 2025	GMC filed a notice of appeal in the Full Court of the Federal Court of Australia.	77
1 August 2025	The appeal was heard in the Full Court.	86
13 August 2025	The Full Court delivered its reasons for judgment and ordered that the appeal be allowed.	84 87 111
10 September 2025	FTI filed an application for special leave to appeal to the High Court of Australia from part of the judgment of the Full Court.	-
25 September 2025	The Full Court ordered FTI to pay GMC's costs of the trial and of the appeal.	115 130

4 December 2025	The High Court ordered that special leave be granted to FTI to appeal from part of the judgment of the Full Court given and made on 13 August 2025.	137
18 December 2025	FTI filed a notice of appeal in the High Court.	139
22 December 2025	GMC filed a notice of contention in the High Court.	142
21 January 2026	The Appellant filed an application for leave to amend its notice of appeal to also appeal against the costs judgment given on 25 September 2025.	144

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