



HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
MELBOURNE REGISTRY

BETWEEN:

White Australia Party Inc.
First Plaintiff

**Thomas Anthony Sewell as representative
of the 1,778 members of the
White Australia Party Inc.**
Second Plaintiff

and

The Commonwealth of Australia
First Defendant

**The Minister Administering the
Criminal Code Part 5.3B**
Second Defendant

The Governor-General in Council
Third Defendant

ORDER

JUSTICE: Chief Justice Gageler

DATE GIVEN: 3 June 2026

INITIATING PROCESS: Interlocutory application filed 18 May 2026

APPEARANCES: P.E. King with M.S. Sharify
Counsel for the plaintiffs

B.K. Lim SC with J.G. Wherrett and N.A. Wootton
Counsel for the first and second defendants

Submitting appearance filed by the third defendant

THE COURT ORDERS THAT:

1. The Attorney-General of the Commonwealth be substituted for The Minister Administering the Criminal Code Part 5.3B as the second defendant.
2. The third defendant be removed as a party to the proceeding.
3. The words “as representative of the 1,778 members of the White Australia Party Inc.” be struck from the second plaintiff’s name.

This order was prepared in the Registry.



4. The words “bringing this proceeding as representative of the 1,778 members of the Party pursuant to *High Court Rules 2004* (Cth) r 21.09.1” be struck from paragraph 2 of the plaintiffs’ statement of claim filed on 29 May 2026.

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