

DAWSON
v
THE KING
[2025] HCADisp 118
S18/2025

- 1 The applicant requires an extension of time within which to seek special leave to appeal from the whole of the judgment of the Court of Criminal Appeal of New South Wales (Ward P, Payne and Adamson JJA). The applicant appealed against his conviction to the Court of Criminal Appeal, which found error on the part of the trial judge but dismissed the appeal on the basis that no substantial miscarriage of justice had occurred.
- 2 There is no reason to doubt the correctness of the decision of the Court of Criminal Appeal including its dismissal of the appeal by application of the proviso to s 6(1) of the *Criminal Appeal Act 1912* (NSW) notwithstanding the trial judge's errors. Accordingly, it would be futile to grant an extension of time.
- 3 Special leave to appeal is refused.

Gageler CJ
Gordon J
Edelman J
Gleeson J
Jagot J
Beech-Jones J

12 June 2025