

## Dean Guidolin SC



Dean Guidolin SC practises in commercial law with a particular emphasis on complex commercial and trust disputes.

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### QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Commerce  
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### CORRESPONDENCE

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### COMMERCIAL LAW

Appellate | Banking & Finance | Bankruptcy | Class Actions | Contractual Disputes | Consumer Law | Corporations & Securities | Equity & Trusts | Insurance | Real Property

### TORT LAW

Product Liability | Professional Negligence

### PUBLIC LAW

Aged Care | Commissions & Inquiries

Dean has a broad practice which encompasses advice and appearance at trial and appellate level. He specialises in complex commercial disputes in superior courts throughout Australia and has extensive experience in corporations and shareholder disputes, trust disputes, fraud and fiduciary matters (including tracing claims), class actions, economic torts, financial advice disputes, professional negligence and trade practices matters (including disputes and regulatory approvals). He has appeared in Royal Commissions, Regulatory Examinations & Inquiries, Corruption Inquiries and Parliamentary Inquiries.

Dean has also developed an extensive and leading practice in judicial advice and trustee approval proceedings, whether in respect of commercial and trading trusts, charitable trusts, superannuation funds and insolvencies.

## Recent Cases

### APPEALS

*Connective Services Pty Ltd v Sleat Pty Ltd* (2019) 267 CLR 461

*Connective Services Pty Ltd v Sleat Pty Ltd* [2018] VSCA 229

*Connective Services Pty Ltd v Sleat Pty Ltd* (2018) 359 ALR 159

*Alexander & Anor v. Burne & Ors* [2015] NSWCA 377

[\*Vermillion Resources Pty Ltd v Gibbins Investments Pty Ltd\* \(2011\) 86 ACSR 246](#)

*Powercor Australia Ltd v. Perry* (2011) 33 VR 548

[\*Bora Homes Australia v Aim Site Hire Pty Ltd\* \[2013\] FCA 23](#)

*McWhinney v. Melbourne Health* (2011) 31 VR 285

[\*CEPU v Australian Competition and Consumer Commission\* \(2007\) 162 FCR 466](#)

[\*Shaw v Yarranova Pty Ltd & Anor\* \[2011\] VSCA 55](#)

### CORPORATIONS, COMMERCIAL, EQUITY AND TRUSTS

*Innovative 3D Systems Pty Ltd (Receivers & Managers Appointed) & Anor v. Allan & Ors* VID125/2023 (breach of directors' duties, breach of trust, subrogation and tracing)

*In the matter of Innovative 3D Systems Pty Ltd (Receivers & Managers Appointed) & Anor* VID109/2022 (Receivers examinations into the complex affairs of the Innovative 3D group of companies)

*Lai v Ecosse Property Holdings Pty Ltd & Ors* SECI 2022 05183 (shareholders' dispute)

*CBRE(C) Pty Ltd v LAWD Pty Ltd & Ors* [2022] VSC 636 (breach of confidential information, breach of fiduciary and knowing assistance)

*Page & Anor v Conneely & Ors* VID659/2020 & VID265/2021 (complex dispute involving receivers' duties and obligations, enforcement of debts and securities, the taking of accounts & inquiries and Corporations Act rights and remedies)

*Sayers Property Holdings Pty Ltd v AIG Australia Ltd* [2022] VSC 377 (claim for breach of policy of insurance, legal

professional privilege)

*Shergold v Hitchman & Ors* SECI 2022 010604 (priority dispute amongst secured creditors)

*NTZ Pty Ltd v M+K Lawyers & Viva Energy Australia Pty Ltd* SECI 2019 02250 (rectification of commercial lease, rights and remedies upon rescission of contract, laches, acquiescence and other equitable defences)

*Slea Pty Ltd v Connective Services Pty Ltd & Ors* [2022] VSC 136 (complex shareholders dispute, oppression and derivative action for breach of directors' duties)

*In the matter of The Perfect Cosmetics Company Pty Ltd; Lane v Ferguson* VID710/2021 (shareholders dispute and oppression)

*Serpentine Investments Pty Ltd v Meehan Group Pty Ltd* SECI 2021 01528 (trespass to land)

*Esso Australia Ltd v Australian Workers Union* [2020] FCA 316 (assessment of damages for alleged delay to major shutdown and engineering works)

*Morcom v Murone Holdings Pty Ltd* [2019] VSC 426 & [2019] VSC 541 (preliminary discovery and shareholders dispute)

*The Presbyterian Church of Victoria Trusts Corporation v Anstee & Ors* [2014] VSC 426; (No.1) [2016] VSC 297; (No.2) [2017] VSC 102; (No.3) [2017] VSC 520 (No.4) [2018] VSC 200 (breach of trust, tracing remedies and exoneration of trustees)

*Bainbridge Gril'd Pty Ltd v Crowe & Ors* VID581/2016 (shareholders dispute, oppression and derivative action)

*Alexander & Anor v. Burne & Ors* [2015] NSWSC 345 & [2013] NSWSC 1953 (knowing assistance claims)

*Architecture HQ Pty Ltd v Propertyline Pty Ltd* [2015] FCA 686 (breach of copyright and freezing orders)

*Geopac Pty Ltd v BMS Group Pty Ltd* [2015] VCAT 12 (complex retail lease claims)

*Ninety First Lieutenant Pty Ltd v. Gateway Concepts Pty Ltd* [2014] VSC 85 (breach of trust dispute)

*Sharp & Anor v. Rata International Pty Ltd & Ors* [2013] VSC 328 (breach of trust, shareholders dispute, oppression and injunction to restrain solicitors acting with a conflict of interest)

*Sitzler Savage Pty Ltd v. Northern Mining Holdings Pty Ltd & Anor* [2012] VSC 104 (pre-emptive rights and options, costs against solicitors for acting without authority)

[\*Gibbins Investments Pty Ltd v Savage\* \(2011\) 84 ACSR 1 \(pre-emptive rights and options, rescission of contract and rights and remedies upon rescission\)](#)

[\*Krok v Szaintop Homes Pty Ltd & Ors \(No 1\)\* \[2011\] VSC 16 \(complex breach of trust dispute, search orders and freezing orders to obtain information as to breaches of trust and restrain improper dealings with trust property\)](#)

[\*Tropicana Limited v Australasia Corporate Services Pty Ltd\* \[2011\] FCA 684 \(16 June 2011\) \(professional negligence\)](#)

[\*Mercury Brands Group Pty Ltd \(Subject to Deed of Company Arrangement\) v Mercury Brands Group Pty Ltd \(No 2\) & Ors\* \[2010\] FCA 1140; \[2010\] FCA 583 \(breach of implied trust and tracing\)](#)

[\*Dharmalingham v Registrar of Titles\* \[2006\] V Conv R 54-718 \(removal of caveat and proceedings against the Registrar of Titles\)](#)

**JUDICIAL ADVICE PROCEEDINGS**

*In the matter of FTX Australia Pty Ltd (In administration) & Anor* [2023] VSC 788

*Innes & Ors v Attorney General for the State of Victoria* [2021] VSC 628

*In the matter of the Scots Church Properties Trust; Anstee & Ors v Attorney General for the State of Victoria*, S CI, 2013 03222

**CLASS ACTIONS**

*Wotton v State of Queensland* [2017] FCA 406

[\*Clarke & Ors v Great Southern Finance Pty Ltd \(in liq\) & Ors\* \[2012\] VSC 295; \[2014\] VSC 584; \[2014\] VSC 516](#) – Great Southern Agribusiness Class Actions

[\*Perry & Anor v Powercor Australia Limited\* \[2011\] VSC 308](#) – Western Districts Black Saturday Class Action

**TRADE PRACTICES**

[\*ACCC v IPM Operation and Maintenance Loy Yang Pty Ltd \(No 2\)\* \[2007\] 59 AILR 100-621](#)

*ACCC v IPM Operation and Maintenance Loy Yang Pty Ltd* (2006) 157 FCR 162

[\*ACCC v The CFMEU\* \[2007\] ATPR 42-140](#)

[\*ACCC v Edison Mission Operations and Maintenance Loy Yang Pty Ltd\* \[2006\] FCA 853 \(7 April 2006\)](#)

[\*CEPU v Corke Instrument Engineering \(Australia\) Pty Ltd \(No 2\)\* \[2005\] FCA 800 \(8 June 2005\)](#)

[\*CEPU v Corke Instrument Engineering \(Australia\) Pty Ltd\* \(2005\) 223 ALR 480](#)

**INQUIRIES**

2014 – 2015: *Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance & Corruption*

2007-2008: *Upper House Inquiry into the Lotteries Licence Review for the State of Victoria (Department of Premier and Cabinet)*.

**Memberships**

Cycling Australia's selection and disciplinary review panel in respect of World Championships, Olympic and Paralympic Athlete selections