IN THE SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA COMMERCIAL COURT GROUP PROCEEDING LIST



Case: S ECI 2024 05243

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BETWEEN

TRACEY LEIGH HEPI, ERU MARTIN HEPI AND GLENDA WALKER

Plaintiffs

-and-

TOYOTA FINANCE AUSTRALIA LIMITED (ACN 002 435 181)

First Defendant

AIOI NISSAY DOWA INSURANCE COMPANY AUSTRALIA PTY LTD (ACN 132 524 282)

Second Defendant

REPLY

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As to the First Defendant's defence to the further amended statement of claim filed on 5 November 2025, the Plaintiffs join issue with each and every allegation made therein, and further —

- 1. As to paragraph 1(b)(iv), say that any limitation period which may have expired may be extended by a court pursuant to s 38 of the *Limitation Act 2005* (WA).
- 2. As to paragraph 11(d)(i), say that at all relevant times the issuing of Add-on Insurance products was a financial service pursuant to ss 12BAB(1)(b) and 12BABE(7)(b) of the *Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001* (Cth).

- 3. As to paragraph 38(b)(i), with respect to claims of unjust transactions, say that to the extent that any Consumer Car Loans were entered before 1 April 2010, such loans were "carried over instruments" within the meaning of section 4 of the National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2009 (Cth) and were therefore credit contracts to which the National Credit Code and NCCP Act applied pursuant to Item 3(2) of Schedule 1 to the National Consumer Credit Protection (Transitional and Consequential Provisions) Act 2009 (Cth).
- 4. As to paragraph 143, say that:
 - (a) with respect to sub-paragraph (c)(iii), the plaintiffs refer to and repeat paragraph 1 above;
 - (b) with respect to sub-paragraph (c)(iv), any applicable limitation period which may have expired may be extended by a Court or were postponed (as the case may be) pursuant to:
 - (i) ss 33 and 34 of the *Limitation Act 1985* (ACT);
 - (ii) ss 55 and 56 of the Limitation Act 1969 (NSW);
 - (iii) ss 42 44 of the *Limitation Act 1981* (NT);
 - (iv) s 38 of the *Limitations Act 1974* (Qld);
 - (v) s 48 of the Limitation of Actions Act 1936 (SA);
 - (vi) s 32 of the Limitation Act 1974 (Tas);
 - (vii) s 27 of the *Limitation of Actions Act 1958* (Vic); and
 - (viii) s 38 of the Limitation Act 2005 (WA).
- 5. As to paragraph 144, say that:
 - (a) with respect to sub-paragraphs (b) and (d), the plaintiffs refer to and repeat paragraph 1 above;
 - (b) with respect to sub-paragraphs (c) and (e), any applicable limitation period which may have expired may be extended by a Court or were postponed (as the case may be) pursuant to:

- (i) s 27 of the Limitation of Actions Act 1958 (Vic);
- (ii) ss 55 and 56 of the Limitation Act 1969 (NSW);
- (iii) ss 33 and 34 of the *Limitation Act 1985* (ACT);
- (iv) ss 42 44 of the *Limitation Act* 1981 (NT);
- (v) s 38 of the *Limitations Act 1974* (Qld);
- (vi) s 48 of the Limitation of Actions Act 1936 (SA);
- (vii) s 32 of the Limitation Act 1974 (Tas); and
- (viii) s 38 of the Limitation Act 2005 (WA).
- 6. As to paragraph 145(c), say that:
 - (a) with respect to subparagraph (iii), the plaintiffs refer to and repeat paragraph 1 above;
 - (b) with respect to subparagraph (iv), any applicable limitation period which may have expired may be extended by a Court or were postponed (as the case may be) pursuant to:
 - (i) s 27 of the Limitation of Actions Act 1958 (Vic);
 - (ii) ss 55 and 56 of the Limitation Act 1969 (NSW);
 - (iii) ss 33 and 34 of the Limitation Act 1985 (ACT);
 - (iv) ss 7, 42 44 of the *Limitation Act 1981* (NT);
 - (v) s 38 of the Limitations Act 1974 (Qld);
 - (vi) s 48 of the *Limitation of Actions Act 1936* (SA);
 - (vii) s 32 of the Limitation Act 1974 (Tas); and
 - (viii) s 38 of the Limitation Act 2005 (WA).

Dated: 26 November 2025

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