

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF VICTORIA
COMMON LAW DIVISION
GROUP PROCEEDINGS LIST

S ECI 2024 01683

BETWEEN

ELWYN GONSALVEZ & ORS
(according to the Schedule attached)

Plaintiffs

- and -

EMERGENCY SERVICES SUPERANNUATION BOARD

Defendant

ORDER

JUDGE:	The Honourable Justice Watson
DATE MADE:	24 July 2026
ORIGINATING PROCESS:	Writ filed 11 April 2024
HOW OBTAINED:	On the papers
ATTENDANCE:	Not applicable
OTHER MATTERS:	This order is signed by the Judge pursuant to rule 60.02(1)(b) of the <i>Supreme Court (General Civil Procedure) Rules 2025</i> (Vic)

THE COURT ORDERS BY CONSENT THAT:

Evidence

1. **By 4:00pm on 30 September 2026**, the plaintiffs are to file and serve any evidence in reply.

Statement of Agreed Facts

2. The date by which the parties are to provide to the Trial Judge's Chambers a statement of agreed facts for the purpose of the initial trial of the proceedings, be extended from 24 July 2026 to **9 October 2026 at 4:00pm**.

Trial date

3. The proceeding is fixed for trial by judge alone on 15 March 2027 on an estimate of 7 sitting days.



4. In order to secure the trial date, the setting down and hearing fees are to be paid in accordance with the *Supreme Court (Fees) Regulations 2018* (Vic).
5. Any application to adjourn or vacate the trial date must be made as soon as it is known that the trial is not ready to proceed on the date fixed.
6. Any party must promptly notify the Court on becoming aware of any circumstance that significantly affects the length of the trial estimate.

Pre-trial programming orders

7. **By 4:00pm on 21 August 2026**, the parties are to confer and seek to agree proposed pre-trial programming orders in respect of the following:
 - (a) Submissions and Chronology;
 - (b) Common Questions;
 - (c) Court Book and Joint Book of Authorities;
 - (d) Tender Lists;
 - (e) Witnesses and Trial Plan; and
 - (f) Objections to Evidence.
8. If agreement is reached, the plaintiffs shall provide the proposed pre-trial programming orders to the Chambers of the Honourable Justice Watson immediately thereafter.
9. If agreement is not reached, the plaintiffs shall contact the Chambers of the Honourable Justice Watson requesting that the matter be listed for a case management hearing.

Other

10. Liberty to apply.
11. Costs reserved.

DATE AUTHENTICATED: 24 July 2026


THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE WATSON



SCHEDULE OF PARTIES

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ELWYN GONSALVEZ

First Plaintiff

SEBASTIANO FERRARO

Second Plaintiff

BASIL SEVENTIS

Third Plaintiff

- AND -

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