

Quiz

A consideration of *Jetobee Pty Ltd (in liquidation) v Smith & Young Pty Ltd (No 3)* [2015] NSWSC 1526

- 1. What was the plaintiff, Jetobee Pty Ltd, seeking in *Jetobee Pty Ltd (in liquidation) v Smith & Young Pty Ltd (No 3)* [2015] NSWSC 1526?
 - a. Declarations against Smith & Young Pty Ltd for payment of the principal on Smith & Young's facility and for a transfer of mortgage on real property that was used to secure the facility.
 - b. Injunctive relief to prevent the director leaving the country.
 - c. Disqualification of the director as a result of his breach of director's duties.
 - d. Compensatory damages against the director in his personal capacity.
- 2. What was the relevance of *Briginshaw v Briginshaw* (1938) 60 CLR 336 and s 140 of the *Evidence Act 1995* (NSW)?
 - a. The case determined that the *Briginshaw* standard is not imputed into s 140.
 - b. The high standard of proof required under both tests ultimately meant the plaintiff was unable to succeed in its claims.
 - c. Required that the plaintiff provide more evidence than normal in order to discharge the onus of proof given the seriousness of alleging concoction.
 - d. A criminal burden of proof applied in this matter because of allegations of white collar crimes.

- 3. Why were adverse credit findings made against the common director of Jetobee and Smith & Young?
 - a. He concocted the agreement in question.
 - b. He admitted to providing misleading statements in separate family court proceedings and in relation to securing financing from a bank.
 - c. He refused to be cross-examined.
 - d. He did not fill out an application for motor vehicle insurance to the best of his knowledge.
- 4. What did the judge determine to do with the evidence provided by the director?
 - a. The judge stated he would not accept evidence provided by the director unless it was also independently corroborated.
 - b. The judge accepted any information which only the director could know.
 - c. The judge only accepted the evidence after making clear to the director that he would be subject to perjury charges where he misled the court.
 - d. The judge ruled the evidence was inadmissible irrespective of whether other sources corroborated the evidence.
- 5. Why did the judge find that the agreement was concocted?
 - a. The purported arrangement was commercially unreasonable.
 - b. 3 primary reasons: (1) discrepancies in fax confirmations; (2)
 accountant said she received no fax; and (3) director's subsequent inconsistent conduct.
 - c. Adverse credit findings.
 - d. The defendant, Smith & Young, advanced no arguments to counter the plaintiff's contention that the agreement was concocted.

Answers:

1. a 2. c 3. b 4. a 5. b