

## Update on [Westlaw AU Cases](#) notification of 2 November 2018

Westlaw is dedicated to delivering a leading research platform and to continually enhancing the legal research experience.

We are continuing to expand our cases collection on Westlaw with the addition of approximately 30,000 new cases across Australia and New Zealand in 2018.

Over the course of 2018, we completed extensive auditing of all cases data and made various technical improvements. We have also been conducting ongoing data reprocessing of the caselaw collection, expected to be completed in February 2019.

In our quest for continuous improvement, we identified minor issues that we are actively addressing.

### 1. Westlaw case links

Cases on Westlaw include linked references to cited cases, citing cases and litigation history. During the cases reprocessing, some links are temporarily inactive. All case information is appearing as expected and links will be progressively restored. Some Alert24 case link functionality on Westlaw is also impacted.

Users can still perform a search for the relevant case on Westlaw (e.g. by citation, case name and other case information).

We are currently addressing these issues by:

- Updating inactive links where identified.
- Undertaking a refresh for all case reference information, including an extensive quality assurance review.

Example 1: In Litigation History

**Bayside Council v Karimbla Properties (No 3) Pty Ltd** H 📄  🔍

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Result Document Term

FirstPoint Judgment Text Cited Documents Related Documents

LITIGATION HISTORY

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**Earlier Litigation History** of [Bayside Council v Karimbla Properties \(No 3\) Pty Ltd](#) [2018] NSWCA 257 H

~~Reversed~~ - [Karimbla Properties v Council of the City of Sydney \(No 2\)](#) [2018] NSWLEC 3 ✖

~~Related Proceedings~~ - [Karimbla Properties v Council of the City of Sydney](#) [2017] NSWLEC 75; (2017) 222 LGERA 385; [2017] ALMD 3658; [2017] ALMD 3777; [2017] ALMD 3778; [2017] ALMD 3779 ✖

~~Reversed~~ - [Karimbla Properties v Council of the City of Sydney](#) [2017] NSWLEC 75; (2017) 222 LGERA 385; [2017] ALMD 3658; [2017] ALMD 3777; [2017] ALMD 3778; [2017] ALMD 3779 ✖

## Example 2: In an Alert 24 article

**Cai v Tsang (No 2)** Search within the document

Article

**Article Type:** Cases  
**Product Title:** Banking & Finance, Contract Law  
**Publication Date:** 15/1/2019  
**Jurisdiction:** New South Wales

ARTICLE

**Case Citation:** [2018] NSWSC 1860  
**Court:** Supreme Court of New South Wales  
**Judges:** Fagan J  
**Judgment Date:** 4/12/2018

**Court Provided Information**

CONTRACTS - Construction - Context - Plaintiff lender to company over which defendant was director - Where contract included personal guarantee by defendant - Where contract also included undertakings by company to procure unregistered mortgages over properties owned by defendant's wife and daughter-in-law - Where defendant's wife and daughter-in-law not parties to loan agreement - Whether procurement of unregistered mortgages condition precedent to personal guarantee - No condition precedent in contract as construed - Judgment for plaintiff.

## 2. Access to cases on Westlaw

In 2018 some customers reported that they were not able to access a small number of judgments on Westlaw. Our auditing and reprocessing activities have refreshed and restored cases information published on Westlaw and enabled significant performance optimisations.

We are continuing to closely monitor cases data on Westlaw.

## 3. 2019 optimisations

This year we are continuing to make significant improvements to the case research experience on Westlaw. Throughout the year we will announce changes to our user experience and speed of access to information.

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