IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA SYDNEYREGISTRY

No. S230 of 2012

BETWEEN:

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE

Appellant

DAVID GRANT EATON

First Respondent

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INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COMMISSION OF NSW

Second Respondent

APPELLANT'S CHRONOLOGY

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Part I:

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Part II:

Date	Event	Appeal Book Reference
7 May 2007	Mr David Eaton, the first respondent, attested as a probationary police officer.	
22 July 2009	Assistant Commissioner Corboy, as a delegate of the Commissioner of Police, dismissed Mr Eaton as a probationary police officer.	
30 July 2009	Mr Eaton made an application to the Industrial Relations Commission of NSW (IRC), seeking relief from unfair dismissal under s 84(1) of the <i>Industrial Relations Act</i> 1996 (NSW).	
30 July 2010	Commissioner Bishop of the IRC found that Mr Eaton's dismissal was unfair and ordered his reinstatement and backpay.	

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Date	Event	Appeal Book Reference
20 July 2010	The Commissioner of Police lodged an appeal against Commissioner Bishop's decision to be heard by the Full Bench of the IRC.	
5 May 2011	The Full Bench of IRC found that the IRC did not have the jurisdiction to hear and determine Mr Eaton's unfair dismissal application and quashed Commissioner Bishop's decision and orders for reinstatement and backpay.	
7 June 2011	Mr Eaton filed a summons in the Supreme Court of NSW seeking judicial review of the Full Bench's decision and orders pursuant to s 69 of the Supreme Court Act 1970 (NSW).	
6 March 2012	The Court of Appeal found the IRC did have jurisdiction to hear and determine Mr Eaton's unfair dismissal application, quashed the Full Bench's decision and orders and remitted the matter to the Full Bench of the IRC to determine according to law.	
20 March 2012	In accordance with the Court of Appeal's orders, the Full Bench of the IRC granted leave to appeal and dismissed the appeal.	
2 April 2012	Commissioner of Police lodged an application for special leave to appeal in the High Court.	
17 August 2012	The High Court granted special leave to appeal.	

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