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Competition and consumer protection law enforcement

Conference 4–5 July 2002

The Regent Hotel, Sydney



Day 1 — Session 1

Chair: Sitesh Bhojani
Commissioner, ACCC

8 am — 8.45 am
Coffee and registration

8.45 am — 9 am
Welcome and opening
Sitesh Bhojani, Commissioner ACCC

9 am — 9.45 am
ACCC enforcement philosophy and priorities
Professor Allan Fels AO, Chairman, ACCC

9.45 am — 10.15 am
Vision for enhancing effective enforcement/ priorities
*Panel — Louise Castle, Allens Arthur Robinson
John Kench, Blake Dawson Waldron
Louise Sylvan, Australian Consumers Association*

10.15 am — 10.45 am
Questions and discussion

10.45 am — 11.15 am
Morning tea

Day 1 — Session 2

Chair: Russell Miller
Minter Ellison

11.15 am — 11.45 am
Public enforcement vs private enforcement: a practitioner's perspective
Allan Myers QC

11.45 am — 12.15 pm
Consumer protection litigation: major developments and practical tips for practitioners
Peter Cashman, Maurice Blackburn Cashman

12.15 pm — 12.35 pm
Panel members will comment on Allan Myers' and Peter Cashman's presentations
*Panel — Liza Carver, Gilbert and Tobin
Lee Hollis, ACCC*

12.35 pm — 12.45 pm
Questions and discussion

12.45 pm — 2.00 pm
Lunch

This program is subject to change without notice.

Day 1 — Session 3

Chair: John Martin
Commissioner, ACCC

2.00 pm — 2.45 pm
US Department of Justice leniency policy: Effectiveness and practical issues for practitioners and enforcing competition laws — the American approach
Jim Griffin, Department of Justice, USA

2.45 pm — 3.00 pm
UK leniency policy: a commentary
Adrian Walker Smith, Office of Fair Trading, UK

3.00 pm — 3.30 pm
The ACCC's leniency policy
Sitesh Bhojani, Commissioner, ACCC

3.30 pm — 3.45 pm
Questions and discussion

3.45 pm — 4.15 pm
Afternoon tea

4.15 pm — 4.45 pm
Leniency policy: what it means for practitioners and clients
*Panel — Michael Corrigan, Clayton Utz
Christopher Hodgekiss, NSW Bar Association
Don Davies, Phillips Fox*

4.45 pm — 5.15 pm
What does it all mean for the community? Issues in communicating the value of competition and consumer protection law enforcement to the public
Fred Brenchley, The Bulletin

5.15 pm — 5.30 pm
Questions and discussion

7 pm — 7.30 pm
Pre dinner drinks

7.30 pm — 10 pm
Conference dinner

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Day 2 — Session 4

Chair: Ross Jones
Commissioner, ACCC

9 am — 9.30 am
Moving towards a criminal regime: ACCC proposals for criminal penalties for hard core collusion
Professor Allan Fels AO, Chairman, ACCC

9.30 am — 10 am
The application and effectiveness of criminal sanctions in US antitrust law
Jim Griffin, Department of Justice, USA

10 am — 10.30 am
The path to criminal reform of competition law: Experience of the UK Office of Fair Trading
Adrian Walker Smith, Office of Fair Trading, UK

10.30 am — 11.00 am
Questions and discussion

11.00 am — 11.30 am
Morning tea

11.30 am — 12.10 pm
Practitioners' perspectives on ACCC reform proposals
*Panel — Damien Bugg QC, Director of Public Prosecutions
Peter Armitage, Law Council of Australia
Bret Walker SC, NSW Bar Association
Michael Potter, Council of Small Business Organisations of Australia*

12.10 pm — 12.30 pm
Questions and discussion

12.30 pm — 12.40 pm
Conference closes

12.40 pm — 2 pm
Lunch

Introduction



How does the ACCC set public enforcement priorities? — given that enforcing Australia's competition and consumer protection laws involves both private commercial and public interest litigation.

Hear from those enforcing the law, including a feature presentation by ACCC Chairman **Professor Allan Fels**, on how the ACCC prioritises its enforcement work and its litigation trends.

Leniency policy — what is it and how is it applied by Australia's trade practices regulator? What are the trends internationally in competition and consumer law enforcement? And how does Australia's major competition and consumer agency deal with them?

These are just some of the major public policy matters for corporate lawyers, compliance professionals, private and government sector lawyers dealing in trade practices law that the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's inaugural conference on competition and consumer protection law enforcement will address.

Developments in the fields of international and domestic cartels, agreements that lessen competition, misuse of market power and boycotts will also be discussed.

The judiciary recognises that the Trade Practices Act 1974 involves matters of high public policy. Hear from those active in industry and government matters.

Valuable insights on the international perspective will be presented by the United States' Department of Justice's Deputy Assistant Attorney General, **Mr Jim Griffin**, and the United Kingdom's Office of Fair Trading Director of Cartel Investigations, **Mr Adrian Walker-Smith**. The community and media view will be reviewed by The Bulletin's **Mr Fred Brenchley**.

Topics for debate will include changes to the law to achieve more effective enforcement outcomes. ACCC **Commissioner Sitesh Bhojani** will discuss a more comprehensive leniency policy for Australian competition law enforcement.

This conference is a unique opportunity to hear and discuss the outcomes, trends and developments in the public enforcement of Australian, US and UK competition and consumer protection laws.



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The Regent Hotel will be changing its name to the Four Seasons Hotel as of 1 July 2002.



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