



## BEFORE THE HIGH COURT — GUIDANCE FOR AUTHORS

Thank you for your interest in writing a Before the High Court ('BTHC') column for the *Sydney Law Review*. The column provides a forum for comment on cases awaiting hearing by the High Court of Australia. We seek pieces that address one or more of the issues raised on the facts and in the parties' written submissions that are important in the development of the law and are likely to engage the Court. We aim to publish no later than one week before the substantive hearing.

Please note that we require submissions at least six weeks before the substantive hearing.

### PROPOSALS

If you have identified a suitable case and consider it will be feasible to submit your column at least six weeks before the substantive hearing, please email [sydneylawreview@sydney.edu.au](mailto:sydneylawreview@sydney.edu.au) your proposal. Please include:

- The case name and likely hearing date (if known).
- Your name, title and institution.
- A brief statement identifying the legal or policy issues raised on the facts and in the written submissions that you propose to write on, and their significance.

Written submissions are published on the High Court's website <<https://www.hcourt.gov.au/>>.

### DRAFT MANUSCRIPTS

**Content:** Please submit your draft column in a Word document that includes: (i) a proposed title that includes the case name and subtitle; (ii) an abstract of up to 200 words; (iii) a column of 3000–5000 words (including footnotes). Please note that 5000 words (including footnotes) is the absolute limit.

**Citations:** The [Australian Guide to Legal Citation](#) applies. In particular: case citations should be to authorised reports where applicable; and pinpoint references must include page numbers where applicable.

### REVIEW PROCESS

Approval for publication will depend on the outcome of our review process, which includes a 'double blind' review by an independent, suitably qualified referee. If your column is approved for publication, we will provide a typeset and copyedited version for your final sign-off. Due to the need for timely publication, the timeframe for any revisions after submission may be very brief.

### PUBLICATION

We aim to publish at least one week prior to the High Court hearing. Generally, we publish online in advance of the print issue.

*We look forward to working with you on your BTHC column.*