

Company (Giles)

MEDIA RELEASE

Yesterday proceedings were commenced against Sue Chrysanthou SC in the Federal Court. Sue is briefed on my behalf in my case against the ABC and Louise Milligan.

These proceedings seek an order that she be restrained by the court from appearing as my barrister in my defamation proceedings.

It has been widely known for two months that Sue has been acting as my Counsel in this well publicised matter - yet the action has come shortly before court appearances on significant issues in the proceedings and over 8 weeks after they were commenced. I am therefore concerned about the timing of this application.

Ms Chrysanthou is one of this country's pre-eminent defamation advocates. It is a critically important right for any citizen in legal proceedings to choose his or her own counsel.

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