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Originating Application



No.

Federal Court of Australia

District Registry: New South Wales

Division: General

AUSTRALIAN SECURITIES AND INVESTMENTS COMMISSION

Applicant

VOLKWAGEN FINANCIAL SERVICES AUSTRALIA PTY LTD (ACN 097 071 460)

Respondent

To the Respondent

The Applicant applies for the relief set out in this application.

The Court will hear this application, or make orders for the conduct of the proceeding, at the time and place stated below. If you or your lawyer do not attend, then the Court may make orders in your absence.

You must file a notice of address for service (Form 10) in the Registry before attending Court or taking any other steps in the proceeding.

Time and date for hearing:

Place: Federal Court of Australia

Law Courts Building

184 Phillip St Queens Square Sydney NSW 2000

Date: 19 December 2019

Signed by an officer acting with the authority of the District Registrar

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Filed on behalf of

Australian Securities and Investments Commission, Applicant

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Details of claim

The Applicant claims:

Declarations – failure to make reasonable inquiries

- Declarations pursuant to s 166 of the National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009
 (Cth) (the Act) and/or s 21 of the Federal Court of Australia Act 1976 (Cth) (the Federal Court Act), that for each of the credit contracts listed in Schedule A as referred to in the Concise Statement, the Respondent has contravened each of the following civil penalty provisions:
 - a. s 130(1)(b) of the Act, because it failed to make reasonable inquiries about the consumer's financial situation before making an assessment in accordance with s 129 of the Act; and/or
 - b. s 128(d) of the Act, because it entered into the credit contract, but did not within 90 days before entering the credit contract make reasonable inquiries about the consumer's financial situation, in accordance with s 130(1)(b) of the Act.

Declarations - failure to take reasonable steps to verify

- 2. Declarations pursuant to s 166 of the Act and/or s 21 of the Federal Court Act, that for each of the credit contracts listed in Schedule B as referred to in the Concise Statement, the Respondent has contravened each of the following civil penalty provisions:
 - a. s 130(1)(c) of the Act, because it failed to take reasonable steps to verify the consumer's financial situation before making an assessment in accordance with s 129 of the Act; and/or
 - b. s 128(d) of the Act, because it entered into the credit contract, but did not within 90 days before entering the credit contract take reasonable steps to verify the consumer's financial situation, in accordance with s 130(1)(c) of the Act.
- 3. In the alternative to paragraph 2, declarations pursuant to s 166 of the Act and/or s 21 of the Federal Court Act, that for each of the credit contracts listed in Schedule A, the Respondent has contravened each of the following civil penalty provisions:
 - a. s 130(1)(c) of the Act, because it failed to take reasonable steps to verify the consumer's financial situation before making an assessment in accordance with s 129 of the Act; and/or
 - b. s 128(d) of the Act, because it entered into the credit contract but did not within 90 days before entering the credit contract take reasonable steps to

verify the consumer's financial situation, in accordance with s 130(1)(c) of Act.

Declarations - failure to assess

4. Declarations pursuant to s 166 of the Act and/or s 21 of the Federal Court Act, that for each credit contract listed in Schedule B, or in the alternative for each credit contract listed in Schedule A, the Respondent has also contravened s 128(c) of the Act, because it entered into the credit contract but did not within 90 days before entering the credit contract make an assessment that was in accordance with s 129 of the Act, in circumstances where it had not assessed the consumer's financial situation as part of an assessment as to whether the credit contract was unsuitable for the consumer.

Declarations – s 47 of the Act

- 5. Declarations pursuant to s 21 of the Federal Court Act that the Respondent contravened s 47(1)(a) of the Act because from 20 December 2013 to 15 December 2016 it failed to do all things necessary to ensure that the credit activities authorised by its credit licence were engaged in efficiently, honestly and fairly.
- 6. Declarations pursuant to s 21 of the Federal Court Act that the Respondent contravened s 47(1)(d) of the Act because from 20 December 2013 to 15 December 2016 it failed to comply with the Act on each occasion that it contravened ss 47(1)(a), 128(c), 128(d), 130(1)(b) and 130(1)(c) of the Act.

Penalties

7. Orders pursuant to s 167 of the Act that the Respondent pay to the Commonwealth pecuniary penalties in respect of each contravention of ss 128(c), 128(d), 130(1)(b) and 130(1)(c) of the Act.

Other Orders

- 8. The Respondent pay the Applicant's costs.
- 9. Such further or other order as the Court considers appropriate.

Applicant's address

The Applicant's address for service is:

Place: Level 5, 100 Market Street, Sydney, New South Wales 2000

Email: susan.donnelly@asic.gov.au

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Service on the Respondent

It is intended to serve this application on the Respondent.

Date: 19 December 2019

Signed by Susan Donnelly

Lawyer for the Applicant