



THE NAURU 19 AND THE IMPORTANCE OF *PRO BONO*

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Nauru19



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PETER LAW



DESTRUCTION OF THE JUDICIARY

REMOVAL OF NAME

SUPREME COURT

IN THE MATTER OF an application for
An Interim INJUNCTION ORDER
-Court file no: 3/1934

In the Matter of: Peter Law
-vs- Applicant
MILITARY for Justice and Secretary for Justice and Commissioner of Police Respondent
GABRIELLE

INTERIM INTERJUDICIAL INJUNCTION ORDER

Upon oral application, ex parte, by Peter LAW, Solicitor: Magistrate and Registrar of the Supreme Court, advising that Isaacson has been terminated, without notice, today 19 January 2014 and he has been detained in police in order of the President for deportation from Nauru, tomorrow 20 January 2014, and being satisfied that there is an arguable case that the deportation of Mr and his detention are unlawful, and being further satisfied that the balance of convenience is strongly in favour of granting relief, I make the following orders:

1. An interim restraining injunction restraining the respondents, their servants or agents, from implementation or enforcement, of the Removal or Deportation Order against the Applicant on or before an application for judicial Review is heard and determined by the Supreme Court of Nigeria.
 2. An interim injunction restraining OurWorlives its servants or agents from permitting or facilitating the forced or unlawful removal of the applicant from Nigeria save upon further order of the Supreme Court.
 3. A mandatory injunction directing any person detaining the applicant to cease forthwith to do so, and to permit him to return to his residence in Nigeria unharmed and without harassment.
 4. The applicant is directed to file an application for leave under Order 53 of the Civil Procedure Rules within 3 working days namely by 5pm 24 January 2024, seeking judicial review of the determination and deportation orders by the President or Minister for Justice.
 5. The matter is listed ever to Monday 20 January 2024, 10am, for directions.
 6. I direct that the directions hearing in the matter of *OurWorlives v Nwankwo* be postponed and others, suit no 4/2023 - is to be conducted by me on Monday 20 January 2024.
 7. An order for costs is made.
- Dated this 19th January 2024
The Hon Geoffrey M. Gwagwa QC
- This is the foregoing
signature of the Honourable


Chief Justice Supreme Court of Norway

This and the following pages of the affidavit marked "Annexure I" in the affidavit of Geoffrey Barnes filed before me on 1 April 2017.

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Injunction re Peter Law

Geoffrey M Eames AMQC

Chief Justice

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'I don't take orders from the chief justice': How Nauru ousted its judicial leaders

Sealed affidavits of former magistrate Peter Law and former chief justice Geoffrey Rusesa both Australian, reveal fresh details of their residence.



† Peter Lee with author's daughter, Christopher Lee's niece, in 2004 after author David Bailey found a connection since 1990s with actor's uncle and nemesis, Franklyn Jones, brother-in-law of actress mother.

*New details of the **Marzi** government's blunders and currency devaluation of the country's currency - after: had made decisions the government disagreed with - have been detailed before the country's supreme court.

The dismissal of two Australian law officers in 2014 has been presented before the court in another case, involving three MPs expelled from parliament. The MP's case was considered informally as a violation of the rule of law in Rome.

PARLIAMENTARIANS SPEAK OUT

Nauru expels Australian magistrate Peter Law, bars chief justice Geoffrey Eames from returning to country

AM By [Melissa Clarke](#), staff

Updated 20 Jan 2014, 10:20am

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Nauruan opposition MP Mathew Batsiua says the move is a great interference in the independence of the country's judiciary.

"It's another example of the lengths this government will go to to get its way," he said.

"The letters that they issued to the resident magistrate didn't spell out any reason, they just basically terminated his contract because they can."

He says there is no plan as yet for a new magistrate or chief justice.

"That's a question for government. How are they going to fill the void?"

"They've lost the plot. They've interfered in the media, now they've interfered in the judiciary.

"By disregarding the independence of the judiciary they are disregarding the constitution."



MP MATHEW BATSIUA

SUSPENSION OF THE OPPOSITION



MP SPRENT DABWIDO



MP SQUIRE JEREMIAH



PROTEST!



PROSECUTION OF THE NAURU 19





THE PRO BONO TEAM



PLEAS OF GUILTY



MAGISTRATE EMMA GARO

THE FIRST TRIAL



65 His Excellency has been instrumental in this process as the appointing authority for Judicial Officers. Will any one destroy the seeds of his or her own hard work and more so in politics if that can give credibility in public. In this submissions, it is emphasised **THAT IT IS ONLY THE ACCUSED PERSON WHO TOOK THE LAW IN THEIR OWN HANDS AND NOW THAT ALLEGE JUDICARY IN NOT INDEPEDANT?** *Can their counsel, who have been appearing in the cases honestly belief this as officers of this court after being admitted to the bar here?* It is questionable where would anyone in the world survive the wrath of contempt of court for making such broad and sweeping allegation of judiciary that it *"does not enjoy the minimum level of independence"*. As officers of the court, they ought to have exercised care and caution before making any such assertion to scandalise the judiciary. *There are no affidavits filed by the accused making such allegations.* It is coming from the Counsel from the bar table. With respect it is submitted that this issue must be treated very seriously by the court as counsel stand before it and scandalise the entire court system.



JAY UDIT,
SOLICITOR GENERAL

GRAHAM LEUNG,
SECRETARY FOR
JUSTICE

DEPARTMENT OF
JUSTICE STAFF



TEAM OF AUSTRALIAN PROSECUTORS



JUSTICE GEOFFREY MUECKE



“A government spokesman, in welcoming Justice Muecke’s appointment said ‘His Honour is a highly respected and experienced judge. His credentials and reputation are impeccable.’”

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BRET WALKER SC
leads the Nauru 19
legal team in the
High Court of
Australia



John Rabuku

5 hrs · 🌐

Another week of work...ready to rumble. 🍷



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exercise of jurisdiction on a
Act 1972 (NR) ("the Act"), in
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The agreement between
Australia and Nauru
that gave the HCA
jurisdiction was
terminated as of 13/3/18

TERMINATION OF THE HIGH COURT

NAURU

Nauru: a nation in democratic freefall propped up by Australia

Anna Davies and Don
Doherty

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Nauru's president has been accused of the nation's corrupt state. In 2017, the nation's economy, reputation, and human rights were all in a state of decline. Photograph: Getty Images

For years, the nation has been accused of the nation's corrupt state. In 2017, the nation's economy, reputation, and human rights were all in a state of decline. Photograph: Getty Images

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NAURU (HIGH COURT APPEALS) ACT 1976 - SCHEDULE Schedule

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Section 3

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAURU RELATING TO APPEALS TO THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA FROM THE SUPREME COURT OF NAURU

The Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Nauru,

Recalling that, immediately before Nauru became independent, the High Court of Australia was empowered, after leave of the High Court had first been obtained, to hear and determine appeals from all judgments, decrees, orders and sentences of the Court of Appeal of the Island of Nauru, other than judgments, decrees or orders given *pro tempore* by consent,

Taking into account the desire of the Government of the Republic of Nauru that suitable provision now be made for appeals to the High Court of Australia from certain judgments, decrees, orders and sentences of the Supreme Court of Nauru, and

Conscious of the close and friendly relations between the two countries,

Have agreed as follows:



IN THE SUPREME COURT OF MAURITIUS
CALL OVER BEFORE JUSTICE REGIS N'LECKE
Thursday, 24 August 2016 at 10 AM

Case No.	Parties	Plaintiff/Defendant	Status of the Case	Orders
Criminal Case No. 12/2017	Republic of Mauritius v. Matthew Barakat & Ors	DPP v. Chevalier, F. Graham & N. Haggie	Hearing of Affidavits	



FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN THE TRIAL

ASSIGNMENT ORDERS MADE



PERMANENT STAY





NAURU COURT OF APPEAL - THE APPEAL



JUSTICE NICHOLAS KIRRIWOM



JUSTICE
MICHAEL
SCOTT



CHIEF JUSTICE SIR ALBERT PALMER



THE CURRENT SITUATION





Nauru

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Nauru 19: judge throws out case and rules protesters cannot receive a fair trial

Judge says government of Nauru has decided protesters are guilty and will spend whatever it takes to jail them

Ben Doherty

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▲ Matthew Bell and Seaine Jaramila outside court in Nauru. The case against the Nauru 19 will not proceed after a judge ruled there was no chance of a fair trial.





DEATH OF SPRENT DABWIDO



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