



JOINT COMMITTEES

PARLIAMENTARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES

Corporations Amendment (Improving Outcomes for Litigation Funding Participants) Bill  
2021

PUBLIC HEARING  
Friday 12 November 2021

Main Committee Room  
Canberra

Time	Witness
9.00 am	<p><b>Omni Bridgeway</b> (<i>Submission 8</i>) Mr Andrew Saker, Managing Director &amp; CEO and Chief Strategy Officer - US</p> <p><b>Litigation Lending Services Limited</b> (<i>Submission 7</i>) Mr Warren Mundine, Board Member Mr Stephen Conrad, CEO</p> <p><b>The Association of Litigation Funding of Australia</b> Mr John Walker, Chairman</p>
10.00 am	<p><b>Ai Group</b> (<i>Submission 13</i>) Mr Hamish Harrington, Senior Adviser, Workplace Relations Policy Mr Stephen Smith, Head of National Workplace Relations Policy</p> <p><b>Australian Institute of Company Directors</b> Mr Christian Gergis, Head of Policy</p>
11.00 am	<b>Break</b>
11.15 am	<p><b>Law Council of Australia</b> (<i>Submission 18</i>) Mr John Emmerig, Co-Chair, Class Actions Committee, Federal Litigation and Dispute Resolution Section Mr John Sheahan QC, Member, Class Actions Committee, Federal Litigation and Dispute Resolution Section Mr John Farrell, Senior Policy Lawyer</p> <p><b>Mr Lachlan Armstrong QC</b> (<i>Submission 2</i>)</p> <p><b>Dr Peter Cashman</b> (<i>Submission 2</i>)</p>
12.45 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1.45 pm	<p><b>The Rule of Law Institute of Australia</b> Mr Chris Merritt, Vice President</p>

2.30 pm	<p><b>Phi Finney McDonald</b> (<i>Submission 4</i>) Mr Ben Phi, Managing Director</p> <p><b>Shine Lawyers</b> (<i>Submission 10</i>) Ms Janice Sadler, Head of Class Actions</p> <p><b>Maurice Blackburn Lawyers</b> (<i>Submission 16</i>) Mr Andrew Watson, National Head of Class Action</p>
3.15 pm	<p><b>Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC)</b> Ms Joanna Bird, Executive Director, Financial Services and Wealth Ms Kate Metz, Senior Executive Leader, Investment Managers</p> <p><b>Attorney-General's Department</b> Dr Albin Smrdel, Assistant Secretary, Legal System Branch Mr Anshu De Silva Wijeyeratne, Principal Legal Officer, Court Reform Section, Legal System Branch</p> <p><b>The Treasury</b> Mr Tom Dickson, Assistant Secretary, Corporations Branch Mr Matthew Bowd, Director, Funds Management, Reporting and External Administration Unit</p>
4.30 pm	<p><i>Adjournment</i></p>