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Lewis (as liq of Doran Constructions Pty Ltd (in liq)) and Another v Doran and Others (2005) 219 ALR 555

- Court details

Supreme Court of New South Wales – Court of Appeal

- Procedural history

This was an Appeal from the Supreme Court of New South Wales decision of *Lewis v Doran* (2004) 208 ALR 385. Following this Appeal, special leave was applied for to bring a further Appeal in the High Court but this leave was denied.

- Facts

Three companies, known as "the Doran group," shared the same directors. On 1 November 1994, the directors passed resolutions which enabled debt to be restructured within the group. This included one company, Holdings, paying to another company, Constructions, the sum of \$4.1 million to partially repay a debt and Constructions subsequently lending \$4.1 million to the third company, DCA.

DCA went on to repay \$1,449,000 of the \$4.1 million to Constructions. However, Constructions went into liquidation in 1997. The balance of DCA's debt to Constructions was "worthless."

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