



PROTOCOL

RESERVED JUDGMENTS

If a party or practitioner wishes to enquire about a delay in Court or Tribunal delivering a reserved judgment in a case in which he or she is a party or acting, as the case maybe, they can raise the matter in writing with the President of the Victorian Bar Council.

They should provide:

- The name of the parties;
- The number of the proceeding;
- The name of each judge or tribunal member whose decision is reserved;
- The date on which the decision was reserved; and
- The number of sitting days of the hearing.

The President will refer the inquiry to the head of the relevant Court or Tribunal without disclosing the identity of the party or practitioner making the enquiry. The head of the relevant Court or Tribunal may then take up the matter with judge or tribunal member whose decision is reserved.

The relevant Court or Tribunal will then notify the parties of the anticipated delivery date of the judgment to be made by the judge or tribunal member.

The Courts aim to deliver each judgment within three months from the date on which the judgment was reserved.

Please address correspondence to:

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