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IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
MELBOURNE REGISTRY

BETWEEN:

**Uncle Robbie Thorpe**
Applicant

and

**Rod Ratcliffe, Prothonotary**
First Respondent

**Attorney-General of Victoria**
Second Respondent

**Aunty Alma Thorpe**
Third Respondent

## ORDER

JUSTICES: Justice Gordon and Justice Beech-Jones

DATE GIVEN: 12 March 2026

INITIATING PROCESS: Application for special leave to appeal

APPEARANCES: Determined pursuant to Rule 41.08.1

THE COURT ORDERS THAT:

1. The application for special leave to appeal to this Court from the judgment and order of the Supreme Court of Victoria, Court of Appeal given on 17 December 2025 and made on 18 December 2025 is refused.

DATE AUTHENTICATED: 17 March 2026

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Deputy Registrar

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