

December 2017

Employer faces court for alleged underpayment of medical first aid responders

(<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171220-acute-health-litigation>)

20 Dec 2017

The owner of a Melbourne health services company is facing court for allegedly short-changing medical first aid responders working at public events more than \$13,000 and using false pay records.

40 per cent of ACT businesses fail second chance (<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171219-act-compliance-monitoring-campaign-mr>)

19 Dec 2017

Canberra business operators are continuing to fall short of meeting their workplace obligations despite intervention from the Fair Work Ombudsman, a new report has found.

Legal action after 71yo worker allegedly underpaid at Queensland fast food outlet

(<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171215-wok-me-litigation>)

15 Dec 2017

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action against the former operator of a fast food outlet in northern Queensland for the alleged underpayment of a 71-year-old employee.

Rogue operator penalised for exploiting overseas backpackers on NT mango farms

(<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171214-mango-shop-penalty>)

14 Dec 2017

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured a \$25,412 penalty in Court against a rogue operator who exploited overseas workers on mango farms near Darwin.

Political party leader who short-changed workers criticised for “arrogant” attitude

(<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171213-no-land-tax-penalty-release>)

13 Dec 2017

A political party leader who promised to pay workers \$30 an hour to hand out how-to-vote cards but paid them nothing has been penalised in Court and criticised by a Judge for his “arrogant” attitude and lack of remorse.

Melbourne cleaning operator allegedly ignored warnings, exploited overseas workers

(<http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171212-davdot-litigation>)

12 Dec 2017

A contract cleaning operator in Melbourne is facing the Federal Circuit Court for allegedly exploiting three overseas workers, despite having been put on notice to pay employees' lawful minimum entitlements.

[Sushi operator allegedly underpaid vulnerable workers in Canberra \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/About-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/December-2017/20171208-sushi-bay-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/About-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/December-2017/20171208-sushi-bay-litigation)

8 Dec 2017

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action against the operator of a chain of sushi outlets for allegedly exploiting overseas workers in Canberra.

[Caltex franchisee allegedly falsified records of wage rates paid to overseas workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171207-aulion-pty-ltd-litigation\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171207-aulion-pty-ltd-litigation)

7 Dec 2017

The Fair Work Ombudsman has commenced legal action against a Caltex franchisee in Sydney for allegedly falsifying records of the wage rates it paid to overseas workers.

[Record WA penalties of more than \\$500,000 for systematic exploitation of overseas workers \(http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171205-povey-penalty\)](http://www.fairwork.gov.au/about-us/news-and-media-releases/2017-media-releases/december-2017/20171205-povey-penalty)

5 Dec 2017

The Fair Work Ombudsman has secured a total of \$510,840 in penalties against rogue cleaning operators in Perth, with a Judge slamming them for their “deliberate”, “repeated” and “systematic” exploitation of vulnerable overseas workers.

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