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Worksheet

6.3 Key concepts in the Victorian civil justice system

Pages 190-193

Representative proceedings and litigation funding

Access the Victorian Law Reform Commission's final report on Litigation Funding and Group Proceedings, accessible here: https://www.lawreform.vic.gov.au/projects/litigation-funding-and-group-proceedings-report.

1	Find and write down the definition given by the Victorian Law Reform Commission (VLRC) for 'litigation funder'.
2	The report makes comment on how many class actions were funded nationally between 1 June 2012 to 31 May 2017 by litigation funders. How many?
3	The report notes that one of the catalysts for the VLRC's inquiry into litigation funders is what happened in the case of Huon Corporation Limited. Find a reference to the case in the report and summarise what occurred.

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4		d two paragraphs in the report: one of which provides a positive view about litigation funders, and which provides a negative view about litigation funders.	
5	Access the Supreme Court of Victoria's class actions webpage at https://www.supremecourt.vic.gov.au/law-and-practice/class-actions . Access one current class action to determine whether it is funded by a litigation funder. If the statement is available, access the 'funding information summary statement' and write down as much as you can about the funding arrangement, including:		
	а	who the plaintiff law firm is	
	b	who the litigation funder is	
	С	what costs the litigation funder has agreed to fund	
	d	how legal fees and disbursements will be charged.	