

Applicant's Outline of Evidence

No. NSD 484 of 2021

Federal Court of Australia

District Registry: New South Wales

Division: General

John Barilaro

Applicant

Jordan Shanks-Markovina and another

Respondents

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1. My full name is Giovanni Dominic (John) Barilaro.
2. I have been married to my wife for about 27 years. We have three children, namely
3. I have held the position of Deputy Premier of NSW since 15 November 2016.
4. I became leader of the National Party of Australia (NSW) (**the Nationals**) on 15 November 2016, and continue to hold that position.

Background

5. I was born in 1971 in Queanbeyan. Both of my parents were born in Italy, and migrated to Australia in 1967.
6. My father was a carpenter and joiner by trade, who together with a business partner went on to establish the Ryleho Group, being a moulding and timber business based in Queanbeyan (**Ryleho**).
7. My mother worked in a window factory making flyscreens, then became a stay-at-home mother, and then became a cleaner at a local high school in Queanbeyan.
8. I attended Queanbeyan High School until year 10, and thereafter years 11 and 12 at St Edmund's College, Canberra.
9. I attended the University of Canberra to study accounting for about 1 ½ years from about 1990. However after deciding that was not what I wanted to do, I left and started to work for my father at his Ryleho business.
10. I started at the bottom of my father's business, commencing first as a factory hand and thereafter gradually being trained by my father to run the business, with my

the attacks will never end – I called them out, and the Respondents just keep on publishing their attacks upon me.

65. I have therefore made a decision to retire from politics. I do not want to face another election. Although I have previously contemplated resigning, the Respondents' conduct has played an instrumental role in my decision. It hurts and saddens me greatly, but I will be leaving a job in relation to which I was immensely proud, but now has been turned by the Respondents into a narrative of corruption cloaked in a vile racist attack upon me. The Respondents suggest that because I am Italian, I am therefore corrupt. That is disgustingly shameful conduct on the part of the Respondents, not only on the part of the First Respondent, who is supposedly educated, but also on the part of the Second Respondent, a supposedly good corporate citizen. Because of what the Respondents have published about me, my life will never be the same. Everything I do in the future will be tainted by their conduct.

John Barilaro
24 September 2021