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Professional Negligence Annual Case Review: 2023

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The authors, practising barristers dealing in professional liability, review and comment on the more consequential professional negligence cases for 2023 (up to the beginning of December), identifying the key take-aways, the unanswered questions and occasionally proffering a critical observation of the outcomes.

A little knowledge is a dangerous thing: Section 14A of the Limitation Act 1980

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This article considers the case law concerning ‘date of knowledge’ under s 14A of the Limitation Act 1980, focusing particularly on the decision of the Court of Appeal in *Witcomb v J Keith Park Solicitors*, which concerned the claimant’s knowledge of a specific omission in his solicitors’ advice concerning the settlement of his personal injury claim. The author argues that, whilst the case enunciates a workable test in cases relating to allegedly negligent advice, the law remains unnecessarily harsh in cases where there are several distinct latent defects, discovered at different times.