#### IMPLICATION:

### a) Authority

b) Categories of PF

- Duty to accord for PF is derived expressly/impliedly from statute: MIBP v SZSSJ (1990)
- CL duty to act fairly: Mason J in Kioa; implied condition of statutory grants: Brennan J in Kioa
- 'Hardly thought that modern legislature... intends that interests of individuals that do not amount to legal rights should be accorded with less protection (Brennan J 616-7 Kioa)

# FORFEITURE CASES EXPECTATI

- Loss of right/detriment to interest usually attracts PF: Cooper
- Personal liberty:
   Johns v Release on
   Licence Board;
   O'Shea (1987)
- Financial interest: FAI
- Reputation: Annetts
   [facts: Jackeroos –
   coroner]; Ainsworth
- Taxi licence form of property and transferrable: Banks v TRB (1968)

### **EXPECTATION CASES**

- To be legitimate, the expectation must be reasonably held: Teoh
- Contracts: Heatley v Tasmanian Racing and Gaming Commission (1977) [facts: escorted off race track – as per ticket needed to give reason]
- Undertaking: Cole v Cunningham (1983) [facts: no 'record' of what happened on work record]
- Expectations of license being renewed: FAI Insurances v Winneke (1982)
- Announced policy: Haoucher v MIEA (1990)
  [facts: public policy decisions can be sent
  to AAT for review; DM departed from such
  policy]
- Regular practice: CCSU v Minister for Civil Service [1985] [facts: spies; Thatcher – NO PF due to national security]
- Immigrant who had visa LE that would be allowed to stay for the time: Schmidt v Secretary of State for Home Affairs [1969]
- LE even when case where absolute discretion of DM: Kioa

#### **APPLICATION CASES**

- LE that DM will adopt procedurally fair process: Kioa
- Unfair DM process will give rise to PF hearing – materials relied on (and critical to decision: not notified of allegation, extrinsic material, court will likely find applicant had a LE of being heard: Kioa

### c) Direct and individual impact

• 'Direct and unique': 'substantially different from the manner which its exercise is apt to affect the interests of the public': Kioa per Brennan J at 619

# d) Practical Unfairness

- Be possible to identify the 'PU' that results from DM process: Re MIMIA; Ex parte Lam (2003)
  [facts: drug charges, children, contact carer, DIMIA did not not practically unfair'
- Not every departure from stated intention necessarily involves unfairness, even if it defeats an expectation (Gleeson CJ at 12-13)
- 'Fairness is not an abstract concept... concern of the law is to avoid practical injustice (Gleeson CJ at 14)
- EMPHASIS: impact of the DM process was unfair how failure to allow individual a right to be heard and how this was detrimental to the case
- MIBP v SZSSJ (2016): [facts: published personal details of asylum seekers; did not get ITOA/IP address of who posted it] [held: not PU were not denied the right to submit their submissions]

#### SCOPE AND CONTEXT OF DUTY & LIMITING/EXCLUDING PF

#### a) Authority

- Doctrine of PF does not apply to 'every decision which disadvantages individuals': Peko
- In Kioa, Mason J listed a range of factors that should be considered

### b) 'Mason factors' as per Kioa (FOR EXCLUSION)

# i. Statutory provisions

- Courts will be unlikely to exclude PF where possible: Plaintiff S157
- Necessary however, that procedural requirement of PF does not frustrate the purpose of the act: Twist v Council of the Municipality of Randwick (1976)
- Implied statutory intention to exclude PF must be clear and strong: Annetts v McCann (1990)
- Not sustained by 'indirect referenced, uncertain inferences or equivocal considerations: Commissioner of Police v Tanos (1958)

# ii. Special circumstances

- National security: CCSU case
- Public health and safety: Twist
- Urgent decision: SA v Slipper (2004)
- Maintain confidentiality: MIMA v VEAL

# iii. Type of decision: Policy/public interest

- Making of policy does not attract PF rights: Peko
- Where DM decision is based on wide ranging public policy initiatives, PF may be limited or excluded: Peko
- Public interest and balancing private interest of individual: O'Shea
- Application of general policy can attract PF rights 'so long as there are circumstances
  personal to the individual which may influence the outcome': Blyth District Hospital Inc v SA
  Health Commission [facts: cut funding to the hospital]
- National security: CCSU case
- Public health and safety: Twist

# iv. Type of decision: investigation/inquiry

- PF in early stages is usually appropriate: Ainsworth
- PF should be afforded before any final reports or findings are published: News Corp Ltd v National Companies and Securities Commission (1984)
- Open-ended inquiry: PF may frustrate: News Corp
- Inquiry in public interest limited PF rights of individual affected by hearing: Bond v ABT
- Protect other rights/interests in investigation: Gypsy Jokers v Commissioner Police (2008)
- Integrity of police investigation: K-Generation Pty Ltd v Liquor Licencing Court [2007]

### v. Statutory procedural framework – alternative procedures

- Some procedures may be intended to substitute for more expansive CL PF requirements: Re MIMA; Ex parte Miah (2001) [facts: procedural code did not exclude operations of CL principles of PF completely code did not address all aspects of PF
- Procedures may 'commensurate with some of the rules of NJ' does not exclude/displace the wider application of these rules: Annetts
- Right of appeal may be intended to displace PF; to make JR available would hamper the
  efficient application of the relevant DM power in the public interest: Twist
- ARGUE: code that is meant to substitute for PF; OR this is case where when you look at the statute, it makes it clear that PF is important – entrenches PF
- Thompson v Randwick Municipal Council RoA was appeal to DC could have legal representation – was appropriate
- Existence of appeal rights may affect the extent to which the requirements of NJ apply... no general rule that RoA denies application of rules of NJ (McHugh J 98-9 in Miah)