

JC Williamson Ltd v Lukey and Mulholland (1931) 45 CLR 282

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Facts

- A group operated a confectionary store in a theatre, and had an oral agreement that if they continued to work under certain rules (e.g. uniform etc), they could stay for 5 years.
- Part way through, the theatre company withdrew this agreement without sufficient cause
- The candy store sought specific performance to allow them to continue their candy store in the theatre.

Held

- They could not have specific performance because to do so would force the Court to supervise too many aspects of the agreement, e.g. whether they adhered to the dress code etc
- Therefore specific performance was not an option

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