## **Unlawful Wounding Offences**

s 301 Criminal Code – excluding 'glassing' offences

From 1 January 2021

## Glossary:

agg aggravated att attempted

AOBH assault occasioning bodily harm

conc concurrent cum cumulative ct count

dep lib deprivation of liberty

EFP eligible for parole imp imprisonment PG plead guilty susp suspended

TES total effective sentence VRO violence restraining order

No.	Case	Antecedents	Summary/Facts	Sentence	Appeal
5.	Kathiramalai v	38 yrs at time offending.	Ct 1: Unlawful wounding.	Ct 1: 2 yrs 6 mths (cum).	Appeal dismissed (leave refused).
	The State of	41 yrs at time sentencing.	Ct 2: GBH.	Ct 2: 4 yrs 6 mths (HS).	
	Western Australia	Ç	Ct 3: AOBH.	Ct 3: 2 yrs 8 mths (conc).	Appeal concerned the trial judge's finding that the offending was pre-
		Convicted after trial.			meditated, the parity principle and the first limb of the totality principle.
	[2025] WASCA 16		At the relevant time, the appellant was	TES: 7 yrs imp.	7 1 71 1
	. ,	Limited criminal history; one	operating a second-hand furniture and		At [51] ' nothing in the appellant's grounds or submissions provides
	Delivered	prior conviction for domestic	money remission business. MA and two	EFP.	any proper basis for doubting the correctness of [the conclusion that the
	29/01/2025	violence.	of his friends attended the appellant's		offending was premeditated].'
			business. Words were exchanged	The trial judge found the appellant was the	S I
		Born in Sri Lanka to a large	between the appellant and MA and a	principal offender for ct 1. The appellant was	At [54] ' the only charge for which the trial judge regarded the
		family; father misused alcohol and	scuffle ensued. After the pair was	responsible for cts 2 and 3 pursuant to s 8.	responsibility of the appellant and his brother to be comparable was
		abused the appellant and his	separated, MA left in a car with his	and the same of th	count 3. The trial judge imposed a sentence of 2 years 8 months'
		mother; father took his own life	friends.	The trial judge found that: MA had ongoing	imprisonment for that offence, for which TK would have received a 2-
		when the appellant was quite		issues with his eye, affecting his capacity to	year sentence before reduction for totality. The difference between the
		young.	Later, the appellant arranged for his	work; SS had been unable to work due to his	sentences for count 3 is broadly explicable by the application of the
		young.	brother (TK) and some friends to visit	injuries; and FS was unable to replace the	totality principle and the 25% discount which TK received for his plea
		The appellant finished year 12 in	MA's house. At 21:00 that evening, a	broken tooth due to the high cost.	of guilty.'
		Sri Lanka; worked as a Chef in	group bf 8–10 men gathered in the street	broken tooth due to the high cost.	or guilty.
		Australia as well as running his	outside MA's house. Inside MA's house	The trial judge accepted that the offending	At [55] 'the difference between the appellant's sentence for count 1 of 2
		own business.	was SS, FS, PM, and LM.	was out of character. The trial judge found	years 6 months' imprisonment and TK's sentence of 16 months'
		own business.	was 55, 15, 114, and Elvi.	that the appellant did not fulsomely accept	imprisonment for count 1 is explained by the appellant's greater level
		Left Sri Lanka following conflict	<u>Ct 1</u>	responsibility for his actions; however there	of culpability for that offence.'
		during the civil war; was		was not a significant risk of reoffending.	of eurphonity for that offence.
		subjected to detention and torture;	MA and SS went outside and picked up	was not a significant risk of reorienting.	At [58] 'the most significant difference between the sentences imposed
		detained on Christmas Island	a piece of wood. The appellant pulled		was between the suspended sentence imposed on TK and the sentence
		before being granted a visa.	out a hammer and struck MA with it	Co-offender (TK)	of immediate imprisonment imposed on the appellant. The length of the
		before being granted a visa.	above his right eye, splitting the skin	Co different (TT)	appellant's total effective sentence mean that suspension was not
		Divorced; two children in late	above his eye. MA fell to the ground	Convicted after PG of one count of unlawful	available. Further, the principal factor in Barone DCJ's decision to
		teens; amicable relationship with	and was further assaulted by the	wounding and two counts of AOBH.	suspend the sentences of imprisonment imposed on TK was the time he
		ex-wife.	appellant's group.	wounding and two counts of Frobrit	had spent in immigration detention as a result of the charges.'
		on who.	appendint s group.	The sentencing judge found TK criminally	had spent in immigration detention as a result of the enarges.
		Suffers from poorly controlled	<u>Ct 2</u>	liable for the wounding to MA, and AOBH to	At [59] 'In all the circumstances There has been no arguable
		diabetes.		SS pursuant to s 8 liability. Liability for the	infringement of the parity principle.'
		diabetes.	SS was then hit on the head with a large	AOBH of FS was on the basis he either	immigement of the party principle.
			rock by an unknown person in the	committed the assault or aided another to do	At [62] 'the nature of the harm suffered by SS was very serious.
			appellant's group. SS fell unconscious	so.	Despite medical treatment, the effects of the injury were ongoing at the
			to the ground. Members of the group		time of sentencing over three and a half years after the commission of
			further assaulted SS while he was	Ct 1: Wounding — 16 mths (conc).	the offence. It had prevented SS from returning to work. The striking of
			unconscious. SS suffered a depressed	Ct 2: AOBH of SS — 2 yrs 3 mths (HS).	SS was unprovoked – he was not involved in the earlier altercation at
			fracture to his skull.	Ct 3: AOBh of FS — 12 mths (cum).	the appellant's shop. The individual sentence imposed for this offence
			Hartise to his skall.	Control of the state (cum).	was within the range of sentences commonly imposed for an offence of
			<u>Ct 3</u>	TES: 3 yrs 3 mths (suspended for 2 yrs).	this kind.'
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			FS saw what happened and ran forward		At [64] 'in the present case, the appellant struck MA on the head with a
			with a stick in his hand. FS was set upon		hammer, which was an act highly likely to cause serious injury. While
			by members of the group and suffered a		the unlawful wounding in this case was far from the most serious kind
			broken tooth when he was punched to		which may be the subject of the charge, it was still having an ongoing
			the face.		effect at the time of sentence.'

I. Palmer v The State of Western Australia  [2024] WASCA 97  Delivered 13/08/2024	60 yrs at time offending.  Convicted after PG (25% discount).  Extensive criminal history; crim history in Tas, NSW, Vic, SA, and WA; assault; unlawful wounding; GBH; armed robbery; dishonesty offences; last violent offence almost a decade earlier.  Dysfunctional upbringing; exposed to alcohol abuse and domestic violence; in and out of care and later made a ward of the state.  Left school at 14 yrs; worked in various capacities in labouring work.  Abused alcohol and illicit drugs throughout his life.  Poor physical health; suffered two heart attacks; reasonably well at	2 x Agg unlawful wounding.  The appellant and the victim met online through an online dating website. After deciding to meet in person, the appellant travelled to meet the victim at her home address. The pair agreed to take the relationship slowly. The appellant stayed the night at the victim's house.  The following morning, the pair began drinking alcohol and by the evening, were both intoxicated.  The appellant told the victim he wanted to engage in sexual activity with her. The victim refused and told the appellant she wanted to sleep on the sofa bed in the lounge room. The appellant then went into the kitchen, took a large knife and returned to the lounge room. The appellant used the knife to slash the victim on her right knee and her left shoulder.  Early the following morning, the appellant used his phone to call the	Ct 2: 2 yrs imp. Ct 3: 4 yrs imp. TES: 6 yrs imp. EFP. The sentencing judge found that the seriousness of the offending was demonstrated by the appellant using the knife to cut the victim twice, resulting in heavy bleeding. The injuries were not life-threatening but interfered with the victim's health and comfort.  The offending had impacted the victim's mobility, limiting her ability to walk without support, and left her anxious and suffering from insomnia. The victim also regularly suffers from panic attacks and is barely able to leave her house.  The sentencing judge found the appellant acted out of anger when he cut the victim and intended to cause serious injury. The sentencing judge did not find the	At [66] 'the bodily harm caused in this case was of a moderately serious type, involving a broken tooth which required a permanent tooth replacement, which the victim had been unable to afford, what was causing ongoing issues for the victim.'  At [67] 'the circumstances of each offence involved a large group of armed men attending at the address where MA and SS lived. The striking of SS on the head with a rock was highly likely to cause grievous bodily harm and was a probable consequence of the common purpose of attending the premises to do violence to MA There were few mitigating circumstances, and the appellant did not have the benefit of a plea of guilty to the offences.'  At [68] ' in the circumstances of the present case which involved significant injuries to multiple victims, some degree of accumulation was required in order to reflect the overall criminality involved in all of the offending. It is not reasonably arguable that the total effective sentence of 7 years' imprisonment imposed in the present case infringes the first limb of the totality principle.'  Appeal allowed.  Appeal concerned first limb of totality principle.  Resentenced:  Ct 2: 1 yr 10 mths imp (cum).  Ct 3: 3 yrs imp.  TES: 4 yrs 10 mths imp.  At [36] 'the offences committed by the appellant were undoubtedly very serious. The appellant, who had been invited into the victim's home, used a large kitchen knife to carry out an entirely unjustified attack on a defenceless and vulnerable woman'  At [37] 'the appellant's use of a knife is a very serious aggravating factor. Knives are a necessary part of everyday life. However, knives are inherently dangerous, and that danger is all too often realised when knives find their way into the hands of someone who is angry and affected by alcohol The prevalence of the use of knives to inflict serious injury amply justifies a conclusion that general deterrence was a very important consideration in fixing an appropriate sentence.'  At [38] 'based on the findings the sentencing judge was
		•	The sentencing judge did not find the appellant showed 'full remorse' for his offending: he demonstrated little insight into his offending.	

					during one incident that occurred relatively quickly.'
					At [41] 'apart from the appellant's pleas of guilty there was little
					else in the appellant's favour by way of mitigation.'
					At [45] 'the appropriate focus is on what the offender did, rather than
					on any label that might be attached to his offending. In that regard,
					what the appellant did was use a large knife to violently attack a
					defenceless woman in her own home, because he was angry, and
				)	because he was affected by alcohol.'
					At [46] ' is has long been accepted that unlawful wounding is a
				210580	serious offence.'
					At [57] 'in our opinion, having regard to all of the relevant
					circumstances, including the fact that the appellant's offending on ct 2
				<b>V</b> Y	and ct 3 occurred within a very short period, during one incident, and
					the overall criminality of the offences committed by the appellant, the
				A*AO	total effective sentence of 6 yrs imprisonment infringed the first limb of
					the totality principle.'
3.	Gomboc v The	31-34 yrs at time offending.	Cts 2 & 11: Agg AOBH.	Ct 2: 10 mths imp (cum).	Allowed.
	State of Western	38 yrs at time sentencing.	Cts 4; 10; 12-13; 15; 19; 22: Threat to	Cts 4; 7 & 13: 12 mths imp (conc).	
	Australia		harm.	Ct 5: 4 yrs 6 mths imp.	Appeal concerned length of sentence. Individual sentences not
		Convicted after late PG (cts 2, 4,	Ct 5: Act with intent to harm.	Cts 6; 9; 23 & 28: 3 yrs imp (conc).	challenged.
	[2023] WASCA	6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 19, 22, 23,	Cts 6; 9; 23; 28-29 & 32: Threat to kill.	Cts 8 & 12: 10 mths imp (conc).	
	115	26 & 32) (18% discount).	Ct 7: Agg unlawful wounding.	Cts 10 & 15: 14 mths imp (conc).	Resentenced:
			Ct 8: Wilful and unlawful damage.	Ct 11: 2 yrs 2 mths imp (conc).	
	Delivered	Convicted after very late PG (cts	Ct 26: Armed to cause fear.	Ct 19 & 22: 16 mths imp (conc).	Cts 2; 6; 9; 23; 28 & 32: 3 yrs imp (conc).
	24/07/2023	5, 7, 9, 28 & 29) (8% discount).		Ct 26: 18 mths imp (conc).	Cts 4; 7 & 13: 12 mths imp (conc).
			Gomboc was in a relationship with the	Ct 29: 3 yrs 6 mths imp (cum).	Ct 5: 4 yrs 6 mths imp (cum).
		Limited criminal history; previous	victim, which lasted for a number of	Ct 32: 3 yrs imp (cum).	Cts 8 & 12: 10 mths imp (conc).
		conviction for common assault	yrs. They had purchased a house	TTPG 11 10 11 1	Cts 10 & 15: 14 mths imp (conc).
		involving then fiancé.	together.	TES 11 yrs 10 mths imp.	Ct 11: 2 yrs 2 mths imp (conc).
			D : 4	EFP.	Cts 19 & 22: 16 mths imp (conc).
		Only child; good upbringing;	During the course of their relationship,	The contenting index found there were	Ct 26: 18 mths imp (cum).
		family remain supportive.	Gomboc subjected the victim to regular	The sentencing judge found there were a	Ct 29: 3 yrs 6 mths imp (cum).
		Completed yr 12; experienced	physical and verbal abuse. He punched and kicked her, strangled her,	number of serious features of the appellant's offending as a whole; it persisted for three and	TES 9 yrs 6 mths imp.
		verbal abuse and bullying at	negligently wounded her with a knife,	a half years; there were 19 separate and	EFP.
		school.	smothered her with a pillow, threw	distinct offences over that period of time and	LII.
			objects at her, and repeatedly threatened	he had time to reflect on his conduct and	At [9] it is clear that it was necessary that the appellant be sentenced
		Good work history; 7 yrs of army	to kill her, and was often armed when	choose not to do it again, but did not; he	to a very significant TES. The appellant's offending was abhorrent and
		service; qualified scaffolder.	he did so.	deployed a number of methods and weapons	sickening. Notwithstanding [his] pleas of guilty, his mental health
		, 1	7	to clearly communicate to the victim that he	issues and the otherwise high regard in which he was held by others, the
		Relationship with victim ended	In addition to having taken photographs	could end her life at his hands and very	persistent, callous and menacing nature of his offending required a long
		2018; new romantic relationship	of several of her injuries, the victim	quickly, so as to make her fearful of him; the	term of imp. The threatened and actual violence used by the appellant
		commenced 2021; partner remains	regularly made audio recordings of the	appellant was physically stronger than the	must be denounced by the courts in the strongest possible terms
		supportive.	offending.	victim, who was vulnerable to his physical	
				violence; the offending was in the context of a	At [194] Her Honour rightly recognised that the totality of the
		Good physical health; significant	The victim was left with severe anxiety	domestic relationship; the threats to kill or	appellant's offending was extremely serious and called for a very

		history of mental health problems; PTSD arising during time in military service.  Heavy alcohol and cannabis use.	and post-traumatic stress disorder, suffered physically, mentally, emotionally and financially	harm were often accompanied by the presence of weapons and physical violence, which no doubt elevating the fear of harm or death the victim experienced, and the fact that his offending routinely incorporated statements designed to degrade and humiliate the victim.  The sentencing judge found the submissions made by the appellant's counsel served to minimise the responsibility for his offending and shifted the responsibility onto the victim; his physical and verbal abuse in a domestic setting was 'very entrenched behaviour' and he remained at risk of reoffending unless he addressed his attitude and behaviour.  Offending profound impact on the victim; continues to require daily medication and ongoing therapy.  Limited demonstrated remorse.	substantial term of imp. It was necessary that a TES be imposed for the appellant's abhorrent and sickening offending that properly punished him and denounced offending like it in the strongest possible terms  At [198] we cannot avoid the conclusion that the TES imposed on the appellant did not bear a proper relationship to the overall criminality involved in all of the offences.  At [220] In our view, this is truly one of those cases when the metaphor of taking one 'last look at the total, just to see whether it looks wrong' is apt. And when we take a last look at the sentence of almost 12 yrs, in light of the appellant's PGs and such potential for rehabilitation as he has, the sentence looks wrong.  At [223] Nevertheless, as we have set out at length above, the persistent, callous and menacing nature of his offending required a long term of imp. Offending of this kind must be denounced by severe penalties.
2.	Fernie v The State of Western	<ul><li>23 yrs at time offending.</li><li>25 yrs at time sentencing.</li></ul>	Ct 1: Agg burglary. Ct 2: Unlawful wounding.	Ct 1: 4 yrs imp (conc). Ct 2: 2 yrs imp (conc).	Dismissed - leave refused - on papers.
	Australia	, ,	Ct 2: Glinawrur wounding.	Ct 2: 2 yrs mp (conc). Ct 3: 8 yrs 2 mths imp (conc).	Appeal concerned length of individual sentences and totality principle.
	[2022] WASCA 20	Convicted after trial.	Late at night Fernie, and two co-	TES 8 yrs 2 mths imp.	At [33] Ct 3 could not reasonably be described as being in the least
	[2022] WASCA 20	Substantial criminal history.	offenders, armed with a machete and	TES 8 yrs 2 mins mip.	serious category of case, having regard to the circumstances in which it
	Delivered		crowbar, went to the home of the	EFP.	was committed; including the nature of the injuries sustained by
	18/02/2022	Highly dysfunctional upbringing;	victims, CMK and his son, CDK. The		CDK;
		left home aged 14 yrs; homeless a	three men were disguised. They kicked	The trial judge found the appellant criminally	At [24] it is not reasonably encycles that the center as imposed on at
		number of yrs.	in the front door and prising open the screen door with the crowbar.	knowingly aided another person to commit	At [34] it is not reasonably arguable that the sentence imposed on ct 3 was manifestly excessive the appellant's claim that the individual
		Left school yr 9.	screen door with the crowbar.	the offences (s 7(c) Criminal Code) and,	sentences on cts 1 and 2 were manifestly excessive has no merit. Taken
			Inside the home Fernie and the co-	alternatively, the offences were a probable	separately, each of those offences was a serious example of its type and
		Some labouring work.	offenders made threats of violence	consequence of the common intention formed	the sentences that were imposed were well within the discretionary
			towards the victims. CMK's young	by him and the co-offenders to prosecute an	range
		Relationship at time of	daughter was sleeping in a nearby bedroom.	unlawful purpose of agg burglary (s 8 <i>Criminal Code</i> ).	
		sentencing.	bedroom.	Criminai Coae).	
		Commenced cannabis use in his	Fernie participated in an assault upon	The trial judge found the appellant's	
		youth; methyl from aged 19 yrs.	CMK. To defend his father CDK	offending agg by the fact he was in company	
			stabbed Fernie in the arm. Fernie was hospitalised as a result.	with other disguised offenders who were also armed; the offences were committed at a	
			nospiumseu us a resuit.	family residence late at night; the victim of ct	
			During the course of the burglary both	3 sustained serious injuries and at the time the	
			victims were struck with the machete.	appellant was the subject of a CBO and a	
			CMK sustained a laceration to his	CSIO.	
			forearm while defending himself from	No demonstrated remains on accountages of	
			the ongoing assault.	No demonstrated remorse or acceptance of	

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complied. Sometime later, the pair At [68] In our opinion, the TES for cts 1, 2, 3 and 4 fell well short of resumed arguing. He warned the victim bearing a proper relationship to the overall criminality involved in all of about calling the police. He also the respondent's offences, ... In our respectful opinion, the TES was smashed an empty bottle and held the not merely 'lenient' or 'at the lower end of the available range'; it was broken bottle in his hand while unreasonable and plainly unjust. ... threatening to kill her (ct 2). Chungarai threw the bottle at a wall, smashing it, causing glass chips to land on the victim and their 1-yr-old child. The victim repeatedly asked Chungarai to settle down and for a period he went to sleep. On waking, he smashed a wooden frame and, using the sharp part of the wood, stabbed the victim in her leg and back. She suffered two large cuts (ct 4). Chungarai then pushed the victim, who was bleeding heavily from her injuries, into a wall and punched her. The victim went to the toilet and a substantial amount of her blood went onto the wall and toilet seat. He continued to punch her and told her to clean the blood up as he did so. On two occasions Chungarai used electrical cord to tie the victim's feet together so she could not get away, while telling her that if she left, he would hit her even more (ct 1). While the victim was tied up, Chungarai jumped on her feet. This conduct a continuation of ct 3. At another point in the evening Chungarai threw a butter knife at the victim, hitting her in the face and causing a large split above her eye. This conduct also a continuation of ct 3. Throughout the five to six hr period the victim was too scared to leave, as Chungarai threatened to harm their children if she did so. The victim suffered deep lacerations to various parts of her face, superficial

	lacerations, bruising, swelling and tenderness. She was hospitalised for two days. One of her wounds developed an infection that required numerous treatments.	