
Admissions

Barrister: 2018
Solicitor: 2013

Education

Bachelor of Laws (LLB), Hons I, University of Sydney (2006 – 2011)
Bachelor of Arts (BA), Hons I, University of Sydney (2006 – 2009)

Academic Awards

Nancy Gordon Smith Prize for Honours at Graduation (2011)
Academic Merit Prize (2010)
Australian Securities and Investment Commission Prize in Corporations Law (2010)
Walter Reid Memorial Prize (2007, 2009 and 2010)
Power Institute Alumni Prize in Australian Art (2007)
University of Sydney Academic Merit Prize (2007).

Experience

Senior Associate, Allens (2017 – 2018)

Senior Associate in Allens' litigation and dispute resolution department. Held a leading role in major class action litigation including acting for QBE in its defence of a significant shareholder class action and Nissan in its defence of the Takata airbags class action.

Experience acting for clients in complex commercial disputes in the Federal Court and NSW Supreme Court.

Lawyer / Associate, Allens (2013 – 2016)

Lawyer and Associate primarily in Allens' Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution department, working on various commercial disputes. Also worked in Allens' energy and infrastructure department, with particular experience in electricity industry regulation

Research assistant to Prof. Jennifer Hill, University of Sydney (2013)

Tipstaff to the Hon. Justice Ball, Supreme Court of NSW (2012)

Selected cases

As a barrister

Class actions

Takata Air Bags Class Action, including *Takata Air Bags Class Action - Common Questions* [2018] NSWSC 1868 (led by R Higgins SC) – class action; product liability (*Australian Consumer Law*); common questions; registration and class closure.

Mid-Coast Council v Fitch Ratings, Inc, Federal Court, NSD995/2014 (settled prior to hearing) (led by I Jackman SC for Commonwealth Bank of Australia) – class action; negligence and misrepresentation; cross-claim for contribution.

Pleash, in the matter of Equititrust Limited (in liquidation) (receiver appointed) [2019] FCA 1063 (with J Arnott) – judicial advice on settlement of proceedings; acting for interested party (KPMG)

Corporations and regulatory matters

APRA v Kelaheer & Ors [2019] FCA 1521, Federal Court (led by R Dick SC and F Roughley for APRA) – superannuation; statutory covenants under the *Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act 1993*; disqualification proceedings.

Commonwealth v Calabretta; in the matter of Condura Pty Ltd (in liq) [2019] FCA 219;
Commonwealth v Calabretta; in the matter of Condura Pty Ltd (in liq) (No 2) [2019] FCA 444 (led by J Giles SC) – corporations; removal of liquidator; re-instatement of company registration; costs payable out of assets of company; lump sum costs

General commercial, equity and consumer matters

Namcott Investments Pty Ltd v Cargill Australia Ltd, Federal Court (led by I Jackman SC for Namcott Investments) (judgment reserved) – preliminary discovery; oppression; negligence.

Meadows Haulage Pty Ltd v Tefco Pty Ltd, Local Court, Case No. 2018/273798 (settled prior to hearing) (unled) – consumer protection; statutory guarantees under the ACL.

Rados v Electrolux Home Products Pty Ltd, NCAT, Gen 18/43244 (unled) – consumer protection; meaning of “manufacturer” under ACL.

Other

CDK16 v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection, Federal Court, NSD19/2019 (judgment reserved) (led by T Wong) – migration appeal.

As a solicitor

Acting for **QBE Insurance Group Ltd** in its defence of the shareholder class action arising from a significant profit downgrade in December 2013.

Acting for **Nissan Motor Co. (Australia) Ltd** in its defence of a class action seeking financial compensation for the use of Takata airbags in certain vehicles.

Acting for the **State of NSW** in various complex commercial disputes in the NSW Supreme Court, including a claim involving a significant construction contract and another claim involving water purchase transactions.

Acting for **Quasar Resources Pty Ltd**, a subsidiary of the US company General Atomics, in relation to a series of disputes in the South Australian Supreme Court concerning the Four Mile uranium mine.

Acting for **Willis Australian Group Ltd** in relation to a breach of contract claim involving the summary dismissal a senior executive: *Willis Australia Group Services Pty Ltd v Mitchell-Innes* [2015] NSWCA 381; *Mitchell-Innes v Willis Australia Group Service Pty Ltd* [2014] NSWDC 107.

Publications

‘The Australian Shareholder Class Action Experience: Are we approaching a tipping point?’ (2017) 36(2) CJQ 178 (with Jennifer Campbell).

“Bulk lodgement” and protection from later lodged caveats’ (2013) 87 ALJ 210.

‘Corporate liability for the bribery of foreign public officials: Reassessing Australia’s legislative regime in light of the “banknote scandal” and UK Bribery Act 2010’ (2012) 27 *Australian Journal of Corporate Law* 2015.