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ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of Western Australia (2008)
- High Court of Australia (2008)

EDUCATION

- LLM in International Law (2012)
New York University School of Law, New York, NY
- LLB (Hons) (2006)
University of Western Australia
- BA (Hons) in Political Science and International Relations and Economics (2004)
University of Western Australia

WORK

Barrister, Fourth Floor Chambers (August 2017 – present)

- I appear in all Courts in Western Australia, and the High Court, in both criminal and civil matters. I also appear in Tribunals, in arbitrations and mediations.
- My practice at the Bar is predominately in large scale commercial litigation, medical negligence, review of administrative decisions and advising on Constitutional matters.

Assistant State Solicitor, State Solicitor's Office (2007 - 2011; 2012 – August 2017)

- I ran a litigation practice, primarily focused on civil litigation matters, administrative and constitutional law.
- Appearances on constitutional law matters in the High Court included:
 - *Rizeq v The State of Western Australia* [2017] HCA 23.
 - *Bell (BGNV v State of Western Australia; WAG v State of Western Australia; Maranoa Transport v State of Western Australia)* [2016] HCA 21; (2016) 331 ALR 408.
 - *Duncan v Independent Commission Against Corruption* (2015) 256 CLR 83.

- *Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services of Australia v Queensland Rail* [2015] HCA 11; (2015) 256 CLR 171.
- Appearances/instructing on administrative law matters focused on:
 - defending judicial review claims in respect of environmental approvals on major infrastructure projects, including *Save Beeliar Wetlands (Inc) v Jacob* [2016] HCATrans313; *Jacob v Save Beeliar Wetlands (Inc)* [2016] WASCA 126; *Save Beeliar Wetlands (Inc) v Jacob* [2015] WASC 482.
 - regulatory decisions on access regimes, including *The Pilbara Infrastructure Pty Ltd v Economic Regulation Authority & Brockman Iron* [2014] WASC 346.
- I appeared in and instructed on litigation in respect of State Agreements and matters in the Supreme and Federal Court including *Mineralogy Pty Ltd v Sino Iron Pty Ltd* [2017] FCAFC 55; *Mineralogy Pty Ltd v Sino Iron Pty Ltd (No 6)* [2015] FCA 825; (2016) 329 ALR 1; *Mineralogy Pty Ltd v Sino Iron Pty Ltd (No 3)* [2015] FCA 542.
- I appeared in various arbitrations in respect of resource issues.
- I advised in and appeared on a wide range of matters, including disputes between business and various aspects of government, contractual disputes within government, environmental and planning disputes, native title, defamation, medical law and criminal regulatory matters.