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Admissions

- 2017 Called to the New South Wales Bar
- 2011 Admitted as a Lawyer of the Supreme Court of NSW and the High Court of Australia

Qualifications & Education

• 2011 – Bachelor of Laws: University of Technology, Sydney (awarded the Karen Morton Memorial Award)

Professional Experience

Since coming to the Bar in 2017, my practice has focused on equity and commercial law. I have conducted trials in courts and appeals in intermediate appellate courts throughout Australia.

I have a particular interest in issues concerning the construction of statute, contracts and trust instruments. I am regularly briefed to advise and appear as advocate for individuals, statutory authorities, insurers and financial institutions in appeal, equity, professional disciplinary, and professional indemnity and liability insurance matters.

Since 2014, I have guest lectured at the University of Technology, Sydney teaching insurance law.

Prior to being called to the Bar, I was employed as a solicitor working in commercial, insurance and financial services matters at Turks. I was also an in-house counsel with the AMP Group for two years.

Expertise

- Banking and Finance
- Commercial and Corporations
- Equity and Trusts
- Insurance

- Insolvency
- Professional Liability
- Superannuation
- Disciplinary proceedings

Professional Memberships

Member, New South Wales Bar Association

Publications

- The application of the Insurance Contracts Act 1984 (Cth) to contracts covering international risk (2022)
 32 ILJ 1
- Bikies, Brothels and Big Insurers: The Stealth Litigation and its Ramifications (2017) 6 JCivLP 131

Published Cases

- Ezekiel-Hart v Council of the Law Society of the Australian Capital Territory, in the matter of Bankrupt
 Estate of Ezekiel-Hart [2025] FCA 181
- Council of the Law Society of the ACT v R (a pseudonym) (Occupational Discipline) [2025] ACAT 8
- LP9 v Council of the Law Society of the Australian Capital Territory [2024] ACTSC 116
- Punchbowl Casual Dining Pty Ltd v Rashays Cafes & Restaurants Pty Ltd (No 2) [2024] FCA 127
- Punchbowl Casual Dining Pty Ltd v Rashays Cafes & Restaurants Pty Ltd [2024] FCA 126
- *AW v WW (No 2)* [2024] NSWSC 146
- Blacktown City Council v Allen Jack + Cottier Architects Pty Ltd [2023] NSWSC 1305
- Prestige Form Group NSW Pty Ltd v QBE European Operations PLC [2023] FCA 749
- *AW v WW* [2023] NSWSC 724
- Girchow Enterprises Pty Ltd v Ultimate Franchising Group Pty Ltd (Final Orders) [2023] FCA 500
- Girchow Enterprises Pty Ltd v Ultimate Franchising Group Pty Ltd (Final Hearing) [2023] FCA 420
- Admiral International Pty Ltd v Insurance Australia Ltd (No 2) [2023] NSWCA 19
- Quach v MLC Limited [2022] FCAFC 202
- Admiral International Pty Ltd v Insurance Australia Ltd [2022] NSWCA 277
- Ezekiel-Hart v Council of the Law Society of the ACT [2022] ACTCA 33
- Tambakeras v UniSuper Limited [2022] NSWSC 1162
- Sharman v Paul Schwartz t/as Orion Tax and Accounting Services [2022] NSWSC 483
- Worth v HDI Global Specialty SE [2021] NSWCA 185; (2021) 393 ALR 93
- Spence's Coaches Western Pty Ltd v McMahon [2021] NSWSC 786
- Splash Waterpark Pty Ltd v Tim Schnitzerling [2021] NSWDC 62
- Quach v MLC Limited (No 6) [2021] FCA 271
- Quach v MLC Life Limited (No 5) [2020] FCA 1134
- Dr Michael Van Thanh Quach v MLC Life Limited (No 4) [2020] FCA 532
- LiveBetter Services Ltd v Quarmby [2020] NSWSC 7
- Hayes (Liquidator) v 5G Developments Pty Ltd, in the matter of 5G Developments Pty Ltd [2019] FCA
 1541
- Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd v Jaeger (No2) [2019] FCCA 2404; (2019) 17 ABC(NS) 98
- Hayes (Liquidator) of Denham Constructions Pty Limited (in liquidation), in the matter of Denham Constructions Pty Limited (in liquidation) [2018] FCA 2025
- Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd v Jaeger [2018] FCCA 3031
- Nova 96.9 Pty Ltd v Natvia Pty Ltd [2018] NSWSC 1288
- Jaeger v Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd [2018] NSWCA 116
- Nova 96.9 Pty Limited v Natvia Pty Limited [2018] NSWDC 74
- Liberty Mutual Insurance Company v Kellogg Brown and Root Pty Ltd [2017] NSWSC 1519