

Appointments and Admissions

- 2010 - Appointed as Senior Counsel (New South Wales)
- 1980 - Admitted to the Bar (New South Wales)
- 1975 - Admitted as a Solicitor to the Supreme Court of New South Wales

Qualifications

- 1974 - Bachelor of Laws: University of Sydney
- 1974 - Bachelor of Arts: University of Sydney

Professional Experience

- 1980 - present Barrister, NSW Bar
- 1975 - 1980 Associate Partner / Solicitor, Moray & Agnew

Areas of Expertise

- Appellate
- Building and Construction
- Commercial
- Corporations
- Insurance
- Professional Negligence

Professional Memberships

- Member, New South Wales Bar Association
- Member, Australian Insurance Law Association

Select Cases

- *Ayres v Ollerenshaw* [2014] NSWCA 320 - S.A Limitations Act
- *Allard v Jones Lang Lasalle (Vic) P/L* [2014] NSWCA 325 - contributory negligence
- *Rail Corp NSW v King* [2014] NSWCA 207 - liability for railway accident
- *Lloyd v Borg* [2013] 84 NSWLR 652 - (vicarious liability).
- *Northern NSW Local Health Network v Heggie* [2013] NSWCA 255 - rights of approval
- *Transpacific Industrial Solutions P/L v Phelps* [2013] NSWCA 31 - Employers liability
- *Izzard v Dunbier Marine Products (NSW) Pty Limited* [2012] NSWCA 193 - concerning the application of provisions of the *Motor Accidents Compensation Act* to industrial accidents
- *Gattellaro v Spencer Whitby* [2011] NSWCA 415; [2010] NSWSC 1442 (Hislop J) - solicitor negligence
- *Vertayias v King* [2011] NSWCA 215 - solicitor negligence
- *Pahi v Unilever Australia Ltd* [2010] NSWCA 149 - liability of principals
- *Wicks v State Rail Authority* (2010) 241 CLR 60; [2009] NSWCA 261 - stands as current authority on the interpretation of s.30 *Civil Liability Act 2002*
- *Vella v Permanent Mortgages Pty Limited* [2008] NSWSC 505 (Young J) - the duty of care owed by finance brokers
- *Barrett v Dubbo City Council* [2006] NSWCA 65 - waiver of privilege
- *Samsung Electronics Australia Pty Limited v Macura* [2005] NSWCA 356 - liability of principals
- *Brymount Pty Limited t/as Watson Toyota v Cummins* [2004] NSWCA 438 - limits on the duty of care
- *Makita (Aust) Pty Limited v Sprowles* 52 NSWLR 705 - expert evidence
- *Noel v GIO Insurance Limited*. The plaintiff had suffered catastrophic injury, and life expectancy was the principal issue. Medical and other evidence was taken on commission in France.
- *Badraie v The Commonwealth*. In these proceedings appeared for the corporations responsible for the management of detention centres in various parts of Australia. The proceedings were conducted over 74 days before Johnson J in the Supreme Court. The proceedings were ultimately settled.
- *Beard & Ors v Commercial Union Insurance Co Australia Limited & Ors*. Appeared for all the plaintiffs in actions for damages arising from a fire in a backpacker's hostel in Kings Cross in 1999. The plaintiffs resided overseas and the litigation was unfunded. The first part of the litigation involved insurance issues and the outcome is reported (*Commercial Union Insurance Co Australia Limited v Beard (1999)* 47 NSWLR 735. The balance of the litigation involved complex issues concerning the liability of owners, occupiers and local government authorities. The matter was heard over 4 weeks before Simpson J in 2002 and, prior to the delivery of judgment, resolved, favourably, for the plaintiffs.