

# JUSTIN BYRNE

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## Admissions

- May 2019 – Admitted to the Queensland Bar
- February 2000 – Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of NSW
- February 1997 - Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Queensland

## Qualifications & Education

- 2001 Masters of Taxation: Queensland University
- 1994 Bachelor of Laws (Hons): Queensland University of Technology
- 1991 Bachelor of Commerce: Queensland University

## Achievements

Doyles Guide - recommended tax lawyer 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Doyles Guide - leading tax lawyer 2020

Best Lawyers - recommended tax lawyer 2001, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020

## Professional Experience

Prior to being called to the bar Justin was a solicitor. He has specialised in taxation law for over 23 years and was a partner at a Brisbane law firm, where he headed its taxation and revenue law division. He also worked in the taxation and revenue teams of Blake Dawson Waldron (now Ashurst) and Minter Ellison. Justin has also worked in accounting firms as a tax specialist.

## Areas of Expertise

- Administrative Law
- Commercial
- Equity & Trusts
- Taxation & Revenue

## Professional Memberships

- Law Council of Australia – Deputy Chair (Qld) - Revenue Law Committee
- Taxation Institute of Australia – Chartered Tax Adviser
- Taxation Institute of Australia – Chair, State Taxes Committee (Qld)
- Taxation Institute of Australia – member of State Council
- NTLG – member representing the Law Council of Australia
- STEP

## Select Cases

- *Metroll v Powerpark Systems* [2021] NSWDC 102 – agency/ostensible authority
- *Powerpark Systems v Metroll* – appeal
- *Salemade v Commissioner of State Revenue (Qld)* [2021] QSC 19 – payroll tax grouping
- *Salemade v Commissioner of State Revenue (Qld)* [2021] QCA 164 - appeal
- *Thomas v FCT* – distribution of franking credits and trust income through a trust
- *Wanless Enviro Holdings Pty Ltd v FCT* – capital loss offsetting capital gain and Part IVA
- *Hii v FCT* – assessable income, onus of proof, security for costs
- *Teulan v Teulan* – family provision claim, complex structures and tax issues
- *Nguyen v FCT* – unclaimed deposits
- *JMC v FCT* – employee v independent contractor
- *Wonson v State of NSW* – recovery of costs

## Publications

- Justin is regularly asked to speak for various taxation and legal bodies on tax related topics. His written papers and presentations to those bodies are published.