

MICHAEL WELLS

Michael Wells is a barrister at 7 Wentworth Selborne in Sydney practising in commercial law, corporations law, bankruptcy and insolvency, equity and trusts, and taxation and revenue.

Qualifications: BA / LLB (Hons) (UQ); LLM (Syd); MTax (Syd)

Admissions: Supreme Court of New South Wales (2009); High Court

Register of Practitioners (2010); New South Wales Bar (2016);

Victorian Bar (2018); Queensland Bar (2020)

Professional experience: Solicitor, Herbert Smith Freehills (2012 – 2015)

Secondments to:

* NAB – Regulatory Affairs (2015) * Macquarie Group – Tax (2014)

Lawyer, Allens (2010 – 2012)

Tipstaff and Researcher to the President of the New South

Wales Court of Appeal (the Hon Justice Allsop), Supreme Court

of New South Wales (2008 – 2009)

Academic: Tutor, The University of Sydney Law School (2012 – 2019)

Law reporting: Commonwealth Law Reports (259 CLR – present); New South

Wales Law Reports (80 NSWLR – present) Australian Tax Reports (101 ATR – present); Administrative Law Decisions (127 – 151 ALD) Australian Corporations and Securities Reports (81 –109 ACSR) Australian Law Reports (276 – 349 ALR); Federal Court Reports (221 – 228 FCR); Federal Law

Reports (282 – 292 FLR)

Memberships: Law Council of Australia, Taxation Committee; Australian Bar

Association, Taxation Committee; Tax Institute, Dispute Resolution Technical Committee; Tax Bar Association; International Fiscal Association; New South Wales Bar

Association, Costs and Fees Committee

Recent cases: 1. Hudson v Commonwealth; Bartlett v Commonwealth,

Federal Court of Australia proceedings 1155/2017 and 1388/2018 (PFAS Contamination Class Actions) (settled)

2. Boensch v Pascoe [2019] HCA 49

3. Boensch v Somerville Legal Pty Ltd [2019] NSWCA 249

4. NWA Realty Pty Ltd v Christou [2019] NSWSC 1364

5. *Slater v Conley* [2019] FCA 909

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