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Qualifications

NATIONALLY ACCREDITED MEDIATOR – The Victorian Bar, Melbourne
NMAS accreditation received in June 2018

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW – New York, USA
Master of Laws (LLM) received May 2003
Honours: Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar

LAW SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA - Adelaide, South Australia
Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (GDLP) received November 1999

UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE - Adelaide, South Australia
Bachelor of Laws with Honours (LLB (Hons)) received April 1998
Bachelor of Arts (BA) received April 1993
Honours: Justin Skipper Prize

Admissions

Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England & Wales	Feb. 2007
Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of Australia	Feb. 2001
Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of South Australia	Aug. 2000

Professional Experience

The Victorian Bar – Melbourne, Australia
Barrister

May 2013 –

With over 20 years' experience in the law, I am an experienced and effective advocate. I have acted as counsel in royal commissions, public inquiries, compulsory examinations, regulatory investigations in addition to proceedings in superior courts and specialist tribunals. I am often called upon to advise on sensitive and urgent matters. My clients have included high-profile individuals, governments and listed companies. I also have extensive experience acting in mediations and negotiations on behalf of clients.

Maddocks Lawyers – Melbourne, Australia

Senior Associate / Special Counsel

Feb. 2009 – Mar. 2013

Maddocks is a leading Australian law firm with offices in Sydney, Melbourne and Canberra. I worked across the Regulation and Disputes group during my time at the firm. I was often called upon to manage sensitive and complex matters (both advisory and contentious). My clients included corporations, governments, public sector agencies as well as prominent public and private educational institutions.

ArcelorMittal – London, United Kingdom

General Manager (Media Relations)

Mar. 2008 – Dec. 2008

ArcelorMittal is the world's leading integrated steel and mining company. As the global head of media relations I was responsible for executing the group's media relations strategy. I had oversight of the corporate press office and public relations network as well as day-to-day responsibility for coordinating the group's interactions with the worldwide media.

Schillings – London, United Kingdom

Senior Associate

Jan. 2006 – Mar. 2008

Schillings specialises in protecting the reputation of high profile individuals, corporates and brands. As a senior lawyer within the firm I acted in a broad range of high profile matters including disputes concerning defamation, privacy, employment, intellectual property, brand protection and reputation management.

Bar Chambers – Adelaide, South Australia

Barrister

Sept. 2004 – Nov. 2005

I acted as counsel in a broad range of matters (both led and unled) including disputes concerning corporations and securities, insolvency and bankruptcy, contract, employment, intellectual property, defamation, trade practices and consumer law. I appeared as counsel in the Magistrates', District and Supreme Courts of South Australia as well as the Federal Court of Australia. I was regularly called upon to draft opinions and pleadings and to appear in negotiations and mediations on behalf of clients.

The University of Adelaide School of Law – Adelaide, South Australia

Academic Staff Member (Part-Time)

Jul. 2005 – Oct. 2005

My principal responsibilities entailed preparing and delivering seminars to students enrolled in the subjects "The Law of Evidence" and "Introduction to Advocacy" which were required subjects for the completion of the Bachelor of Laws. I also shared responsibility for marking final examinations and course work.

Kelly & Co Lawyers (now HWL Ebsworth Lawyers) – Adelaide, South Australia

<i>Senior Associate</i>	Aug. 2003 – Sep. 2004
<i>Solicitor</i>	Jan. 2001 – Aug. 2002
<i>Graduate Law Clerk</i>	Jun. 1999 – Jan. 2000

I worked exclusively in the firm's dispute resolution team. I regularly advised and assisted clients in a broad range of commercial disputes. This included the conduct of significant commercial litigation in the Federal Court of Australia as well as the Supreme and District Courts of South Australia.

I was also a part of the firm's media and entertainment law practice. A critical aspect of my work involved advising major media organisations, corporations and individuals in respect of trademark, copyright and defamation matters. I was also involved in assisting clients in negotiating and drafting commercial agreements dealing with intellectual property rights of artists, composers, publishers and recording labels.

Flinders University School of Law – Adelaide, South Australia

Academic Staff Member (Part-Time) Jul. 1999 – Dec. 1999 and Jul. 2001 – Dec. 2001

I researched and delivered lectures to students. I also conducted academic tutorials and shared responsibility for marking final examinations and interim assignments in the compulsory subject "Resolving Civil Disputes".

High Court of Australia – Canberra, Australian Capital Territory

Associate to the Honourable Justice Mary Gaudron Jan. 2000 – Jan. 2001

I researched legal issues and drafted memoranda for use by members of the Court. I assisted during hearings and appeals as well as with judgment production, proofing and other duties as directed by her Honour.

Mr. Andrew Tokley QC – Barrister at Law

Research Assistant / Law Clerk Jan. 1999 – Jun. 1999

I researched legal issues, drafted research memoranda. I also assisted in the preparation for hearings. This included drafting outlines of argument and court documents for interlocutory applications, trials and appeals.

Supreme Court of South Australia – Adelaide, South Australia

Associate to the Honourable Justice John Perry AO Jan. 1998 – Dec. 1998

I researched legal issues and drafted memoranda for use by the Court. I also assisted with judgment production and proofing. During my time at the Court I worked on criminal and civil trials, chamber hearings and appeals as well as articles and speeches delivered by his Honour.

Appointments & Memberships

Asian Australian Lawyers Association (2015 –)
Asian Australian Leadership Summit (2019)
Australian Bar Association, Diversity & Inclusion Committee (2019 – 2020)
Bottled Snail Productions Inc (2013 – 2015)
Columbia University Alumni Association (2003 –)
Commercial Bar Association of Victoria (2013 –)
Communications and Media Law Association (2020 –)
Friends of International House (UK), Chairman of the Board of Trustees (2006 – 2009)
International House (New York City), World Council of Alumni Member (2006 –)
Law Institute of Victoria (2011 – 2017)
Law Society of England and Wales (2006 – 2008)
Law Society of South Australia (2001 – 2007)
Maddocks Lawyers, Corporate Social Responsibility Committee (2009 – 2011)
Maddocks Lawyers, Equal Opportunity and Diversity Committee (2011 – 2013)
Melbourne Press Club (2015 –)
Melbourne University Law School – Centre for Media and Communications Law, Advisory Committee (2019 –)
Monash University Law School – Centre for Regulatory Studies, Advisory Board (2012 - 2013)
NSW Bar Association (2016 –)
South Australian Bar Association (2004 – 2005)
University of Adelaide Alumni Association (John Bray Law Chapter)
Victorian Bar (2013 –)
Victorian Bar, Bar News Committee (2018 – 2019)
Victorian Bar, Equality & Diversity Committee (2018 –)
Victorian Bar, Pro Bono Committee (2014 – 2017)
Victorian Planning and Environmental Law Association (2017 –)