



Areas of Practice

- Defamation, Media, Entertainment
- Commercial Law
- Conflict of Laws (Private International Law)
- Constitutional Law
- Contract Disputes
- Government Inquiries
- Mediation
- Royal Commissions
- Telecommunications
- Trade Practices, Consumer Protection

Educational Qualifications

BA, LLB (Hons), PhD

Admission

- Admitted to the legal profession: 7 March 1994
- Signed Victorian bar roll: 27 May 1999
- Appointed Senior Counsel: 22 November 2011
- Entitled to practise throughout Australia

Legal Experience

- Author of *Collins on Defamation* (Oxford University Press, 2014), a leading text on the law of defamation of England and Wales
- Author of *The Law of Defamation and the Internet* (Oxford University Press, 2001, 2005, 2010), the standard international text on the application of principles of defamation law to online publications
- National Chair, Law Council of Australia Media & Communications Committee, 2011–12 (Deputy Chair, 2008–10, member since 2001)
- Senior Fellow, Melbourne University Law School, since 2012
- Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Monash University, 2009–2011
- Door tenant, One Brick Court chambers, London since 2010
- Counsel Assisting the Royal Commission into the Building & Construction Industry, 2001–02
- Solicitor/Senior Associate, Mallesons Stephen Jaques, 1994–99
- Associate to the Honourable Justice D.M. Ryan, Federal Court of Australia, 1991–92
- Author of many articles in peer-reviewed journals on aspects of media law

Selected Matters

- *ACCC v ANZ Banking Group Ltd* [2013] FCA 1206
- *Trility Pty Ltd v Ancon Drilling Pty Ltd* [2013] VSC 577
- *Boobera Lagoon Technology LLC v Zomojo Pty Ltd* [2013] FCA 1107
- *Sali v Australian Broadcasting Corp* [2013] FSC 388
- *Barrow v Bolt* [2013] VSC 226
- *Office of the Premier v Herald & Weekly Times Pty Ltd* [2013] VSCA 79
- *Crisp v Fairfax Media Ltd* [2012] VSC 615
- *Zomojo Pty Ltd v Hurd* (2012) 299 ALR 621
- *Eatock v Bolt and the Herald & Weekly Times Pty Ltd* [2011] FCA 1103
- *Gant v The Age Co Ltd* [2011] VSC 169
- *ACCC v Telstra Corporation Ltd* [2010] FCA 790
- *British American Tobacco Australia Ltd v Gordon* [2009] VSC 619
- *Markisic v Today-Denes* [2009] NSWSC 482
- *AXA Asia Pacific Holdings Ltd v Direct Share Purchasing Corp Pty Ltd* [2009] FCAFC 15
- *Cleary v Hore-Lacy and Allen & Unwin (No 2)* (2009) 21 VR 692
- *TAB Ltd v Racing Victoria Ltd* [2009] VSC 338
- *Lawrence v Slemko* [2009] WASC 33
- *R v The Age Co Ltd* [2008] VSC 305
- *Diners Club Pty Ltd v Ansett Australia Ltd* [2008] VSCA 30
- *State of New South Wales v IG Index plc* (2007) 17 VR 87
- *Fluor Australia Pty Ltd v ASC Engineering Pty Ltd* (2007) 19 VR 458
- *Carr v Reynolds Porter Chamberlain* [2007] NSWSC 21
- *Markisic v AEA Ethnic Publishers Pty Ltd* [2006] NSWCA 378
- *IG Index plc v State of New South Wales* (2006) 198 FLR 132
- *Sky Channel Marketing Pty Ltd v Hall* [2006] FCA 854
- *Minister for Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs v X* (2005) 147 FCR 243
- *SteriCorp Ltd v Stericycle Inc* [2005] VSC 203
- *McLeod v Munro* [2005] VSC 375
- *Markisic v Middletons Lawyers* [2005] NSWSC 258
- *Frew v John Fairfax Publications Pty Ltd* [2004] VSC 311
- *Singtel Optus Pty Ltd v Telstra Corporation Ltd* [2004] FCA 859, [2004] FCA 726
- *Re Wallace and Australian Federal Police* (2004) 83 ALD 679
- *BK v ADB* [2003] VSC 125