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### **Areas of Practice**

- Administrative Law
- Bankruptcy Law
- Commercial Law
- Class Actions / Representative Proceedings
- Consumer Protection Law
- Contract Disputes
- Corporate Fraud and Civil Penalty Proceedings
- Corporations and Securities Law
- Defamation, Media and Entertainment Law
- Disciplinary Proceedings
- Equity and Trusts Law
- Freedom of Information and Privacy Law
- Health and Medical Law
- Intellectual Property
- Insolvency Law
- Professional Negligence
- Regulatory Matters (Compliance and Investigation)
- Royal Commissions
- Taxation and Revenue Law

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### **Educational Qualifications**

#### **University of Melbourne, Bachelor of Laws (LLB): 2004-2008**

- Graduated with First Class (H1) Honours in 2008
- Ranked fourth overall in graduating class of 2008
- Received the top mark and the Frank Galbally Memorial Prize in Advanced Criminal Law in semester 1, 2008
- Received the top mark in Refugee Law in semester 2, 2008

#### **University of Melbourne, Bachelor of Science: 2004-2008**

- Majored in Genetics

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### **Other Legal Experience**

- Nominee, "Barrister of the Year", Lawyers' Weekly "2018 Australian Law Awards"
- Winner, "Barrister of the Year", Lawyers' Weekly "Women in Law Awards"
- Tutorial teaching staff, Monash University Law School, 2017 to present
- Contributor to "Law Case Watch" podcast, Television Education Network, June 2016 to present
- Reporter, Federal Court Reports, Thomson Reuters, April 2014 to present
- Signed Bar Roll on 24 October 2013 (read with Andrew Hanak)
- Reporter, Federal Law Reports, Thomson Reuters, October 2013 to present
- Federal Court of Australia, Associate to the Honourable Justice John Middleton: July 2012 to August 2013
- Disability Discrimination Legal Service, Night Service Advice Line Volunteer: 2012-2013
- Federal Court of Australia, Interim Associate to the Honourable Justice Michelle Gordon: May to June 2011
- Arnold Bloch Leibler, Paralegal, Law Graduate and then Solicitor: 2008 to June 2012

## **Practice description**

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Katherine has a broad corporate and commercial practice. She accepts briefs in all areas of commercial and corporate law.

To date, her practice has involved numerous different areas of law, including corporations (including *Personal Property Securities Act 2009* (Cth) and shareholder oppression matters), insolvency, bankruptcy, taxation, health, regulatory, contract, trade practices, defamation, professional negligence, domestic building, civil penalty, administrative (in particular, *Freedom of Information Act* matters) and competition law.

In addition to her commercial law experience, Katherine's Bachelor of Science degree (with a genetics major) equips her to understand and deal with what can be complex and technical scientific subject matter in appropriate cases.

Since coming to the Bar, Katherine has been briefed to act for a range of regulators, government departments, companies and individuals.

## **Other**

- 2017 and 2018 Co-Chair: VicBar Student Engagement Committee
- Member: Commercial Bar Association of Victoria
- Member: Common Law Bar Association
- Member: Tax Bar Association
- Mentoring of young lawyers, law students and high school students, through the VicBar and the University of Melbourne Law School mentoring and work experience programs, and informally

## **Papers and presentations**

- "In defence of the peak indebtedness rule – reflections on the Australian position post-*Timberworld Ltd v Levin & Anor* [2015] NZCA 111", paper presented at a Commercial Bar Association CPD in September 2016 (copy available upon request)
- "The Unsettling Case of the Non-Binding "Settlement": When Are Parties Considered to Have Made a Binding and Enforceable Settlement Agreement? An examination of *Masters v Cameron* (1954) 91 CLR 353 and beyond" (2017).