

Karen Petch joins Emma Beechey as INSOL International Fellow

Karen Petch has been announced a new Fellow of INSOL International, following completion of INSOL International's Global Insolvency Practice Course (GIPC).

INSOL International is a world-wide federation of national associations of accountants and lawyers who specialise in cross-border turnaround and insolvency. The one-year GIPC is INSOL's pre-eminent advanced educational qualification in international insolvency. Karen is one of 24 new Fellows to join INSOL's group of just under 300 Fellows worldwide, and 31 in Australia.

In becoming one of INSOL's newest Fellows, Karen joins New Chambers' Emma Beechey, who has been a Fellow since 2018. Both Emma and Karen are ranked year on year in the Australian legal rankings guides as two of Australia's leading junior barristers in restructuring and insolvency.

About Karen

Karen has over 15 years' experience of international commercial litigation and arbitration. She is typically briefed in cases involving cross-border issues and complex financial structures.

Her specialist experience is in banking and financial services, insolvency and company law, fraud and asset tracing and private international law. She often appears unled in applications for urgent injunctive relief, including freezing orders, search orders and receivership orders.

She was called to the New South Wales Bar in 2017 and the English Bar in 2024. Before coming to the Bar, Karen was a solicitor at Allen & Overy LLP in London and New York (2012-2017).

She practises Australian law from New Chambers and English law from Twenty Essex in London and Singapore. She is an INSOL Fellow, a NextGen member of the International Insolvency Institute and the author of Chapter 5 (External Administration) and Chapter 7 (Financial Services and Markets) in Thomson Reuters's go-to practitioners' text *Annotated Corporations Legislation*.

About Emma

Emma is a senior junior practising in commercial litigation, with specialisations in domestic and cross-border insolvency, banking and financial regulation. She regularly appears for local and foreign insolvency practitioners, major financial institutions, corporations, investors and regulators in complex commercial and insolvency matters.

She has appeared unled in significant cases at both first instance and on appeal, including appearing in the High Court (led) and in the NSW Court of Appeal (unled) for Garuda Indonesia in a successful claim of foreign state immunity; and appearing unled in the NSW Court of Appeal in *Caron v Jahani (No 2)* (2020) 102 NSWLR 537, one of the leading Australian decisions on tracing into a deficient trust fund.

As well as being an INSOL Fellow and a NextGen member of the International Insolvency Institute, Emma is also the author and lecturer for the Australian module of INSOL's Foundation Certificate in International Insolvency Law.

You can find more information about Emma and Karen's respective experience including their curricula vitae at <https://newchambers.com.au/barristers/> or via INSOL on <https://www.insol.org/fellows>