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Admitted to the legal profession
2009

Admitted as a barrister in NSW
2013

Also entitled to practise in
Australian jurisdictions (Commonwealth,
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Courtney Ensor practises principally in corporate and commercial law, with specialisations in tax and administrative law. Courtney's background in pure mathematics is particularly valuable in these areas.

Courtney routinely appears unled in civil and criminal appeals and trials across the country. She is a trusted advocate with over 15 years of experience in litigation, including significant in-Court expertise. Courtney is experienced in managing large teams of junior counsel, solicitors, experts and stakeholders in complex matters to deliver successful outcomes in complex matters.

Courtney is consistently recognised in the leading ranking guides for her advocacy. In the Asia Pacific Australia Bar Legal 500, Courtney is ranked as a Leading Junior in Commercial Disputes (2022-2026), where she was acknowledged for "Her strengths are: intelligence, hardworking, eye for detail, initiative where she sees things needed to be done. Advocacy skills are strong – I've seen her do cross-examinations involving complex financial arrangements with clarity and confidence" (2022); "Courtney is an extremely hard-working, well organised and diligent advocate, with a breadth of commercial disputes experience" (2023); "Courtney is extremely thorough and precise" and "knowledgeable of the law" (2024); "Courtney is always very well-prepared and thorough. She has a strong work ethic and is a dream to work with" (2025); and "Courtney is diligent, hard working, meticulous and responsive" (2026).

In Chambers & Partners Asia-Pacific Guide (2025-2026), Courtney is ranked for Tax where it has been recognised that "she is very proactive and very efficient in the way she gets through work" (2025); and that she "is respected for her proficient prowess in matters regarding tax proceedings and issues relating to superannuation" (2026).

Courtney is also ranked as a leading tax junior in Doyles Guide (2017-2025) and World Tax (in association with the International Tax Review) (2017-2026), and recognised in Best Lawyers for Tax Law (2023-2026).

In 2024, Courtney successfully completed the Australian Bar Association Advanced Trial Advocacy Intensive (a 5-day residential course specialising in advanced trial advocacy).

AWARDS AND PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

[Chambers & Partners Asia-Pacific Guide: Tax: The Bar](#) (2025 – 2026)

[Asia Pacific Australia Bar Legal 500: Commercial Disputes - Leading Junior - Tier 1](#) (2022 – 2026)

[Doyles Guide: Leading Tax Barristers - New South Wales](#) (2017 – 2025)

[Best Lawyers in Australia: Tax Law](#) (2023 – 2026)

[World Tax Guide: Leader - Highly Regarded](#) (2020 – 2026)

[International Tax Review: Women in Tax Leaders](#) (2017 – 2019)

SELECTED CASES

- Appellate
 - [Capital Estate Developments Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2025] ARTA 1298 (ZKSM); FCA NSD1594/2025 – leading K Josifoski. Property developer purchased ACT land for over \$261m cash and an undertaking to complete development services. Issues include whether, for the GST margin scheme, the non-monetary consideration for the acquisition should be valued on an englobo acquisition or by reference to individual lots. FCAFC hearing listed for June 2026.
 - [Geocon Land Holdings No. 5 Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2024] ARTA 9 (SFQV); [2025] FCAFC 172; [2026] HCADisp 47 – leading M Gioskos in the ART and the FCAFC. Led by M O'Meara SC, leading M Gioskos in the HCA. GST margin scheme decision concerning ACT residential development and attribution of GST payable on the supply of development services, non-monetary consideration for the land and excess-GST.
 - [Ekermawi v Commonwealth of Australia](#) FCA NSD1824-5/2025 – leading J Chen. Application for leave to appeal concerning alleged unlawful discrimination under the Racial Discrimination Act 1975 (Cth) re Government failure to enable Palestine to be identified as a person's place of birth in online applications. Settled.
 - [Commissioner of Taxation v Runcity Pty Ltd](#) [2024] FCA 45 (Iannuzzi); [2025] FCAFC 152 – led by L T Livingston SC in the FCA; unled and leading E Hall in the FCAFC. Whether s 588FF(3)(b) of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) covers the field to the exclusion of s 601AH(3)(d) of the Act on reinstatement.
 - [Gumm v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2025] FCA 1603 – led by J E Jaques KC. Leave to appeal from decision refusing leave for evidence of applicant to be given on commission in the UK, the USA or Hong Kong due to asserted fear of lawful detention on re-entry to Australia: [Gumm v Commissioner of Taxation \(No 3\)](#) [2025] FCA 927 – led by J E

Jaques KC. Also, [Gumm v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2024] FCA 71 – led by J E Jaques KC. Security for costs against offshore natural person taxpayer where underlying Part IVC tax proceedings concern over \$23m in dispute.

- [JMC Pty Limited v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2022] FCA 750; [2023] FCAFC 76; [2023] HCASL 155 – led by L T Livingston SC. Superannuation guarantee charges and whether lecturer at TEQSA regulated higher education provider an employee under s 12(1) of Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992 (Cth) or expanded definition under s 12(3).
 - [Jamsek v ZG Operations Australia Pty Ltd \(No 3\)](#) [2023] FCAFC 48 – led by L T Livingston SC. Remittal from the High Court concerning whether truck drivers were employees for superannuation purposes under expanded definition in s 12(3) of the Superannuation Guarantee (Administration) Act 1992 (Cth).
 - [Anglo American Investments Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2021] FCA 1253 – led by K A Stern SC. Leave to appeal from decision allowing re-opening to cross-examine key witness on conviction relied on solely as credibility evidence.
 - [Agius v R](#) [2019] NSWCCA 114 – led by G Bashir SC. Reserved question to NSWCA and appeal on conviction to NSWCCA heard concurrently. Concerned whether trial judge misdirected jury as to concepts of ‘derivation’ and ‘ordinary income’ and as to s 6-5(4) of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (Cth).
 - [Caron v Said Jahani and John McInerney as joint and several liquidators of Courtenay House Capital Trading Group Pty Ltd \(In liq\) and Courtenay House Pty Ltd \(In liq\)](#) [2019] NSWCA 293 – unled. Payment of representative party’s costs of appeal against companies in liquidation from common fund.
 - [T & S Nominees Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) [2017] NSWCATAP 6; [2017] NSWCATAP 104 – unled. Application to reinstate appeal of land tax proceedings concerning primary production exemption.
 - [Coshott v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2015] FCAFC 71 – unled. Appeal from AAT capital gains tax decision.
 - [Oswal v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2014] FCA 812 – led by S H P Steward QC. Leave to appeal from decision on separate and preliminary question regarding capital gains tax event in relation to shares held by trustee.
 - [Donnelly v Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Ltd](#) [2014] NSWCA 145 – led by A J McInerney SC. Unconscionable conduct on dual currency loan facility following judgment for possession of real property.
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- Taxation

Transfer pricing:

- [Chevron Australia Holdings Pty Ltd v Federal Commissioner of Taxation \(No 4\)](#) [2015] FCA 1092 – led by D H Bloom QC, S H P Steward QC, P Kulevski, K J Deards and L A Hespe. Complex transfer pricing, international tax law and constitutional law dispute resulting in 16 tax appeals and an application under s 39B of the Judiciary Act 1903 (Cth) concerning an intercompany credit facility agreement.

Income tax:

- [The Bell Group Limited \(in liquidation\) v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) FCA NSD 2098/2016 – led by P D Crutchfield QC, M J O'Meara and S B Rosewarne. \$260m tax dispute arising from \$1.5billion settlement of the Bell Group's 25-year litigation with banks – interest deductions, deductible tax losses, debt forgiveness.
- [Mineralogy International Limited v Commissioner of Taxation](#) ART 2025/5774 – led by C A Burnett SC. Disallowance of c.\$13m deductions in respect of asserted gifts of hydroxychloroquine and chloroquine made to the Commonwealth “for purposes of defence” at the commencement of the COVID-19 pandemic by consolidated group controlled by Clive Palmer. Ongoing.

Income tax and Part IVA (anti-avoidance):

- [South Seas Holdings Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2025] FCA 848 – led by J E Jaques KC, leading D H Southwood. Part IVC proceedings concerning deduction claims for management fees and interest on loans, deemed dividends, carry forward losses, 75% penalties with uplift and SIC, with Part IVA also contended.
 - [Melbourne Corporation of Australia Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2022] FCA 972 – led by K A Stern SC and J E Jaques. Deduction claims for management fees and interest on loans in respect of corporates controlled by accountant Vanda Gould (overwhelming dominant purpose to obtain a tax benefit). Also, [Melbourne Corporation of Australia Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2020] FCA 641 – unled. Concerned Court's power to order production of a federal prisoner incarcerated in one State before the Court in another State for the purpose of cross-examination.
 - [Anglo American Investments Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2019] FCA 1027; (No 2) [2019] FCA 1028; [2022] FCA 971 – led by K A Stern SC and J E Jaques. Deduction claims for bad debts, management fees and interest on onshore loans in respect of corporate controlled by Vanda Gould. Also, [Anglo American Investments Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2021] FCA 974 – unled. Leave to reopen proceedings reserved for judgment to recall key witness for further cross-examination
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and to tender further evidence. And [Anglo American Investments Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2021] FCA 1253 – see Appellate above.

GST:

- [Capital Estate Developments Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2025] ARTA 1298 (ZKSM); FCA NSD1594/2025 – see Appellate above.
- [Geocon Land Holdings No. 5 Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2024] ARTA 9 (SFQV); [2025] FCAFC 172; [2026] HCADisp 47 – see Appellate above.
- [NG Landholdings No 4 Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation](#) FCA NSD 444-447/2023 – led by D Thomas SC, leading M Gioskos. GST treatment of acquisition of ACT land and subsequent sales of developed units. Issues included which entity conducted the relevant enterprise (trusts being involved), entitlement to rely on a private ruling, the value of non-monetary consideration for the acquisition, excess GST, passing on and windfall gain. Settled.
- [Collins v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2022] AATA 628 – unled. Whether c.\$10m sales of subdivided real property by self-managed super fund excluded from GST registration turnover threshold because held by SMSF as capital assets, or because made solely as a consequence of ceasing to carry on an enterprise.
- [WYPF v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2021] AATA 3050 – led by D Thomas SC. GST margin scheme decision considering which components of \$106m development works on ACT residential development constituted consideration for the acquisition of 99-year leases from the ACT development authority.
- [BSRJ v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2021] AATA 333 – led by K J Deards SC. Discretion to treat progress claim under construction contract as a tax invoice, change in consideration for acquisitions comprising a GST adjustment event and penalties.

CGT:

- [Mangat v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2018] AATA 3012 – unled. CGT discount on employee share scheme interest.
- [Coshott v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2015] FCAFC 71 – see Appellate above.
- [Oswal v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2014] FCA 812 – see Appellate above.

Asset betterment:

- [Akkari v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) AAT 2017/0699-0700 – unled.

FBT:

- [Nick's Happy Days Amusements \(Syd Ops\) Pty Ltd v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) AAT 2016/108 – unled. Car fringe benefit tax. Settled.

Superannuation:

- [Mallam and Commissioner of Taxation](#) ART 2024/5398 – unled. Statutory concessional contributions cap re Police Blue Ribbon Insurance Scheme.
- [JMC Pty Limited v Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2022] FCA 750; [2023] FCAFC 76; [2023] HCASL 155 – see Appellate above.
- [Jamsek v ZG Operations Australia Pty Ltd \(No 3\)](#) [2023] FCAFC 48 – see Appellate above.

Departure prohibition orders:

- [Ho v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation](#) FCA NSD1190 and 1192/2025 – leading J Nixon. Departure prohibition order (based on c.\$66m asserted liabilities) sought to be set aside pursuant to s 14X(a) of the Taxation Administration Act 1953 (Cth), and judicial review of the decision to issue the DPO pursuant to s 5 of the Administrative Decision (Judicial Review) Act 1977 (Cth). Listed for hearing in October 2026.

Advices:

- I regularly provide advice to taxpayers and the Commissioner in respect of all areas of taxation and superannuation, and at all stages of dispute including pre-dispute, during the audit and objection process, and during litigation.

Payroll tax:

- Employment agent exemption – settled: [M & S Dehsabzi Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) NSWSC 2016/53174 – unled; [Ultimate Security Services Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) NCAT 2016/378026 – led by T L Wong.
- Relevant contract exemptions: [AGC Roof Maintenance Northern Division Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) [2021] NSWCATAD 199 – unled.
- Relevant contract exemptions – settled: [Blue Haven Pools South Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) NCAT 2018/41968 – unled; [Apparent Communications Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) NCAT 2017/258722 – unled; [M & S Dehsabzi Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue](#) NSWSC 2016/53174 – unled; [Ultimate Security Services Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State](#)

[Revenue NCAT 2016/378026](#) – led by T L Wong; [Zyplast Constructions Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue NCAT 2015/10552](#) – unled.

Land tax:

- Primary production exemption: [T & S Nominees Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue \[2017\] NSWCATAP 6](#); [\[2017\] NSWCATAP 104](#) – see Appellate above; [Teebee Holdings Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue \[2017\] NSWCATAD 338](#) – unled; [Bisvic Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue \(No. 2\) \[2014\] NSWCATAD 166](#) – unled.
- Primary production exemption – settled: [Sogeri Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue NCAT 2018/203978](#) – unled; [Maas Group Properties No. 3 Pty Ltd & Maas Group Properties No. 2 Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue NCAT 2017/368105 and 2017/368113](#) – unled.
- Principal place of residence exemption: [Paspaley v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue \[2014\] NSWCATAD 217](#) – unled.
- Principal place of residence exemption – settled: [CWO & CWP v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue NCAT 2016/378548 and 2017/118159](#) – led by BJ Sullivan SC.
- Retirement villages exemption: [Transfield Edgeworth Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue NCAT 2017/25258](#) – unled. Settled.
- Unutilised value allowance: [Bisvic Pty Ltd v Valuer-General \[2015\] NSWLEC 70](#) – unled.

Surcharge purchaser duty:

- [Ha v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue NCAT 2018/364545](#) – unled. Settled.

Garnishee notices:

- [Mt Lewis Estate Pty Ltd v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation FCA NSD 267/2018](#) – led by A J McInerney SC. Dispute concerning s 260-5 garnishee notice. Settled.

• Commercial law

- [Easy Pay Pty. Ltd. v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation FCA NSD1173/2025](#) – leading J Nixon. Application to set aside statutory demand for purported c.\$150m debt. Obtained stay of proceedings and extension to the period for compliance with the demand until after the final determination of the dispute concerning the underlying liabilities.

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- [Commissioner of Taxation v Runcity Pty Ltd](#) [2024] FCA 45 (Iannuzzi); [2025] FCAFC 152 – see Appellate above.
 - [Whistleblower investigation](#): Appointed as an independent investigator to investigate a whistleblower disclosure made to a listed company concerning significant income tax and superannuation matters and to report on matters arising under the Corporations Act 2011 (Cth), the Taxation Administration Act 1953 (Cth) and the company's whistleblower protection policy.
 - [Krejci, in the matter of Union Standard International Group Pty Limited \(in liq\)](#) [2021] FCA 1483 – led by B F Katekar SC. Money held by company in liquidation subject to statutory trust pursuant to s 981H, Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) in favour of appointed representative class (proofs of debt being between \$195m and \$405m).
 - [My Queen Pty Ltd v Ha Ha Jing Pty Ltd](#) (NSWDC, 2020) – unled. Obtained judgment for breach of contract concerning distribution of imported goods.
 - [In the matter of Plutus Payroll Australia Pty Limited \(in liquidation\)](#) [2019] NSWSC 1171 – unled. Liquidators' application for directions concerning 'employees' within the meaning of s 556 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).
 - [Caron v Said Jahani and John McInerney as joint and several liquidators of Courtenay House Capital Trading Group Pty Ltd \(In liq\) and Courtenay House Pty Ltd \(In liq\)](#) [2019] NSWCA 293 – see Appellate above.
 - [Ritson v Commissioner of Police, New South Wales Police Force \(No 2\)](#) [2019] FCA 662 – unled. Interlocutory applications on appeal against Federal Circuit Court dismissal of application to set aside bankruptcy notice.
 - [Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Valeant HoldCo 2 Pty Ltd](#) (FCA, 2017) – led by S White SC. Obtained urgent ex parte freezing orders.
 - [Weng v Sun](#) (NSWSC, 2016) – unled. Urgent interlocutory relief in relation to proceedings for oppressive conduct under s 233 of the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).
 - [In the matter of Arora Supermarkets Pty Ltd](#) [2016] NSWSC 880 – unled. Overstatement of debt in statutory demand.
 - [Owners Corporation for Strata Plan 82413 v Australian Coastal Development Group Pty Ltd](#) (NSWSC, 2015) – unled. Winding up.
 - [Advice](#) – I regularly provide strategic advice to corporations, regulators, and natural persons in respect of all aspects of commercial law, including in connection with actual or anticipated insolvency and bankruptcy.
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- Administrative law
 - [White v Tax Practitioners Board](#) ART 2025/3406, 3414 – leading W Liu. Review of termination of tax agent registrations of former EY partner Peter White (fit and proper person) and a company he controlled, and imposition of maximum period of prohibition on reapplications (5 years). Alleged code breaches include tax avoidance schemes. Reserved. Also, [White v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2025] ARTA 603 – unled. Stay applications.
 - [Wilson, Edwards & Swanger v Australian Prudential Regulation Authority](#) ART 2025/3597–3599 – led by J Giles SC, leading B Szabo. First disqualifications of accountable persons under the Banking Executive Accountability Regime or the Financial Accountability Regime. Settled, following various contested interlocutory applications including one concerning the secrecy provisions under the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority Act 1998 (Cth).
 - [Kumar v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2026] ARTA 232 – leading M Long. Application to stay termination of tax agent registration (fit and proper person) and imposition of 5-year prohibition on reapplication. Underlying conduct included failure to notify that the AAT had upheld a decision to deny citizenship (good character test).
 - [Nguyen v Inspector-General in Bankruptcy](#) [2026] ARTA 142 – leading H Watson. Review of decision to assess liabilities for bankruptcy contribution assessment periods.
 - [Mulcahy & Co Accounting Services Pty Ltd v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2026] ARTA 2 – leading G Adams. Application to stay decisions to terminate tax agent registrations (fit and proper person) and impose 4-year prohibitions on reapplications pending hearing and determination of application for special leave to appeal to the High Court.
 - [Zartaloudis v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2025] ARTA 2477 – leading M Gisokos. Applications for stay and confidentiality orders pending merits review of decisions to terminate tax agent registrations (fit and proper person – 508 Code breaches) and impose 3-year prohibition on reapplications.
 - [Cavallaro v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2025] ARTA 2028; [2025] ARTA 2030 – leading N Alroe. Review of decisions to terminate tax agent registrations of three applicants (fit and proper person) and impose period of prohibition on reapplication, and applications for confidentiality. 442 breaches of the Code over 23 years.
 - [Kambourakis v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2025] ARTA 1 – leading N Alroe. Application to stay termination of registration (fit and proper person) and imposition of 4-year prohibition on reapplication. Concerned 266 Code breaches over 14 years.
 - [Hanieh v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2024] AATA 3251 – leading J Thornton. Application for stay and confidentiality pending review of decision to terminate registrations as a
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BAS and tax agent (fit and proper person) and impose 5-year prohibition on reapplications.

- [Borella v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2023] AATA 3748 – unled. Review of decision to terminate tax agent registration (fit and proper person) and impose prohibition on reapplication. Over 100 Code breaches across a 16-year period.
- [Middlebrook v Tax Practitioners Board](#) [2020] AATA 3698 – unled. Review of decision to terminate tax agent registration (fit and proper person) and impose period of prohibition on reapplication.
- [Advice](#) – I regularly provide advice on complex administrative law matters to private entities, natural persons and Government instrumentalities. In respect of professional regulation, I advise both regulated persons and regulators on conduct complaints, particularly for barristers, solicitors and tax agents.

- Common law

- [Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Ho](#) [2026] NSWSC 247 – leading J Nixon. Proceedings seek judgment for over \$66m against a natural person (in part due to director penalty notices). Obtained stay pending determination of proceedings concerning the asserted liabilities on the basis of extreme personal hardship.
- [Farah Custodians Pty Ltd v Federal Commissioner of Taxation](#) [2018] FCA 1185; (No 2) [2019] FCA 1076 – led by D A McLure SC. Taxpayer alleged negligence against Commissioner and Commonwealth in relation to GST refunds, and sought enforcement of statutory duty re running balance account and damages for misfeasance in public office.
- [Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Harding](#) [2017] NSWSC 772 – debt recovery proceedings for unpaid income tax, administrative penalties and interest charges.
- [Ha Ha Jing Pty Ltd v My Queen Pty Ltd](#) [2017] NSWSC 594 – unled. Application for transfer pursuant to Jurisdiction of Courts (Cross-Vesting) Act 1987 (NSW).

- Equity

- [Aboriginal Housing Office v Mabel Jacky](#) NSWSC 2024/420491 – leading H Watson. Judicial advice, declarations and orders sought by trustee. Issues arising include what it means to be “a member of the Dunghutti Aboriginal families”, including by reference to *The Commonwealth v Tasmania* (1983) 158 CLR 1 and *Mabo v State of Queensland (No 2)* (1992) 175 CLR 1. Reserved.
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- [The Official Trustee in Bankruptcy v Macalindong](#) [2016] NSWSC 1735 – unled. Appointment of trustees for the sale of real property; cross-claim contending constructive trust between bankrupt and her former husband.
- [The Official Trustee in Bankruptcy v Foster](#) (NSWSC, 2016) – unled. Appointment of trustees for the sale of real property under s 66G, Conveyancing Act 1919 (NSW).
- [Donnelly v Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Ltd](#) [2014] NSWCA 145 – see Appellate above.
- [Advises](#) – I regularly provide advice on complex issues of equity and trust law, including on judicial advice, and proposed restructures of high-net-worth family-owned groups with related tax issues.

White collar crime and compulsory processes

- [Agius v R](#) [2019] NSWCCA 114 – see Appellate above
- [Commissioner of Taxation v A Solicitor](#) (NSWLC, 2025) – unled. Practising solicitor charged with 20 criminal tax offences. Obtained dismissal of charges prior to arraignment and for defendant to be dealt with pursuant to diversionary scheme for mental illness under s 20BQ, Crimes Act 1914 (Cth), which enabled the defendant to continue practising without suffering a show cause event.
- [R v Gregg & Waugh](#) (NSWDC, 2019) – led by K Ginges. Three-month prosecution for alleged breaches of s 1307, Corporations Act 2001 (Cth) (falsification of books).
- Experience conducting and representing interviewees in compulsory interviews both under s 353-10 of Sch 1 to the Taxation Administration Act 1953 (Cth) (including in connection with deemed dividends, dividend stripping schemes, tax avoidance schemes, promoters) and s 19 of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission Act 2001 (Cth).

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2017 – 2018: New South Wales Bar Association Bar Council

2022 – present: New South Wales Bar Association Practice Development Committee

2017 – 2019; 2025 – present: New South Wales Bar Association Professional Conduct Committee

2017 – 2018: New South Wales Bar Association Examination Marker

2013 – present: New South Wales Bar Association

2013 – present: Australian Bar Association

2017 – present: Law Council of Australia Taxation Committee

2018 – 2020: The University of Sydney Law Extension Committee

2015 – 2020: International Fiscal Association

2025 – present: Tasmanian Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2011 – 2012: Arnold Bloch Leibler, Solicitor (Litigation)
- 2009 – 2010: Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Solicitor (Tax Litigation, Property, Construction Litigation)
- 2008: Tipstaff to the Hon Justice I V Gzell, Supreme Court of New South Wales
- 2006 – 2007: Goldman Sachs JBWere (Fixed Income, Currency & Commodities)

PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

COMMERCIAL LAW

Administrative Law

Appellate

Banking and Financial Services

Bankruptcy and Insolvency

Contracts

Corporations and Securities

Real property

CRIMINAL

Appellate

Proceeds of crime

Fraud

White collar and corporate crime

EQUITY

Appellate

Property

Trusts

PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Administrative Law

Appellate

Constitutional Law

Disciplinary Proceedings
Judicial review and administrative law

Merits review
Proceeds of crime

Public law

TAXATION AND REVENUE

Alternative Dispute Resolution
Appellate
Capital Gains tax

Goods and services tax
Income tax
International tax

Land tax
Payroll tax
Stamp duty and other state taxes

SECTORS

Banks and Financial Institutions
Funds
Government
Technology, Media and
Telecommunications
Primary Resources
Real Estate