



## **DOMINIC VILLA SC**

*Bachelor of Arts (Hons - Political Science)/Bachelor of Laws - University of NSW (1995)  
Master of Health Law -University of Sydney (2007)*

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### **Clerk of Chambers**

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### **Admitted to the legal profession**

1996

### **Admitted as a barrister in NSW**

2002

### **Appointed as Senior Counsel**

2018

### **Also entitled to practise in**

Australian jurisdictions (Commonwealth,  
State and Territory)

Dominic has almost 25 years' experience acting for government, insurers, corporate insureds and individuals in a diverse range of litigated and non-litigated disputes.

He has appeared in a wide variety of corporate and commercial disputes including claims against directors, corporate insolvency, building and construction, and claims for misleading or deceptive conduct. He has acted in a number of class action proceedings on behalf of the State of NSW, pharmaceutical companies and medical device companies.

Dominic regularly advises and appears in relation to all forms of liability insurance (in particular D&O, professional indemnity and public liability) and in life insurance (in particular, TPD claims).

Dominic also has considerable experience in disciplinary proceedings, acting for health and legal professionals, and sitting as a member of various sporting disciplinary bodies. He also acts for a number of sporting bodies in relation to negligence claims.

Dominic is the author of the *Annotated Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW)* (3ed) and has particular expertise in tort law, including professional negligence, proportionate liability, and intentional tort claims including misfeasance in public office, malicious prosecution and historic abuse claims.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**1995 – 1998:** Solicitor, Middletons, Moore & Bevins

**1998 – 2002:** Senior Associate, Minter Ellison

## PUBLICATIONS

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**2018:** Annotated Civil Liability Act 2002 (NSW) (3<sup>rd</sup>), Thomson Reuters

**2020:** thecovid19.law.blog

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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**2008 to 2016** - Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Medicine UNSW, lecturing in Civil Law & Psychiatry as part of the Masters of Forensic Mental Health

**2009 to 2018** - Member, Human Research Ethics Committee for the South Eastern Sydney Local Health District

**2006 to date** - Member, various sports arbitration panels, including Football Federation Australia and Australian Rugby Union.

**2002 to date:** Australian New Zealand Sports Law Association

## PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

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### COMMERCIAL LAW

Administrative Law	Competition and Consumer	Restraint of trade
Appellate	Conflict of laws	Shareholder class actions
Banking and Financial Services	Contracts	Sports law
Bankruptcy and insolvency	Insurance and Reinsurance	Trade Practices
Building, Construction and Technology	Professional liability	Superannuation
Class Actions	Product liability	

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### COMMON LAW

Appellate	Medical negligence	Professional liability
Class Actions	Product liability	Sports law
Insurance and Reinsurance	Professional indemnity	

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### EQUITY

Appellate

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### INDUSTRIAL / EMPLOYMENT

Civil and human rights	Government inquiries	Restraint of trade
Disciplinary proceedings	Health law	

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### INQUESTS AND INQUIRIES

Commissions of inquiry	Coronial inquests
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### PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Appellate	Health law	Judicial review and administrative law
Disciplinary proceedings		

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## SECTORS

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Banks and financial institutions	Government	Healthcare
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