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Admitted to the legal profession
2018

Admitted as a barrister in NSW
2023

Also entitled to practise in
Australian jurisdictions (Commonwealth,
State and Territory)

Emily has a broad practice which includes commercial law, regulatory proceedings, class actions, and corporations matters. She regularly appears led and unled in a range of courts and tribunals.

In 2023 Emily was awarded the Christopher Gee QC Memorial Prize for achieving first place in the NSW Bar Practice Course.

Prior to coming to the bar, Emily was a Senior Associate at Herbert Smith Freehills, where she acted in a range of commercial disputes in the Federal Court of Australia and the Supreme Courts of NSW and Victoria. She has particular experience as a solicitor in class actions, financial services regulatory investigations and proceedings, and anti-money laundering.

Emily holds a Bachelor of Arts and a Bachelor of Laws (First Class Honours) from Macquarie University. She was the recipient of the Dean's Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Law and prizes for first place in constitutional law and international trade and finance law. Emily also holds a Masters of Laws from the University of Sydney, and was the recipient of the Judge Samuel Redshaw Prize for Administrative Law.

SELECTED CASES

As Counsel

Commercial

- **Tin-Tagel Majikk Pty Ltd v Wayne Craig Hockey**: led by Ben Katekar SC; acting for defendant in respect of a claim for breach of warranties in respect of Share Sale Agreement
- **Citation HR Pty Ltd v Duggal Services Pty Ltd**: unled; acting for plaintiff in respect of a claim for breach of services contract
- **Yaem Pty Ltd v MMP Industrial Pty Ltd**: led by Ben Katekar SC; acting for defendant in respect of a claim for breach of warranties in respect of Share Sale Agreement

Class actions

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- [Dann v Chief Executive Officer \(Housing\)](#): led by David McLure SC; acting for the Northern Territory government in a Supreme Court of NT class action regarding remote housing

Regulatory and inquiries

- [Independent Inquiry into The Star Pty Limited \(2024\)](#): led by Caspar Conde; acting as Counsel Assisting

Common law

- [Paget v Aurora Travel Pty Limited](#): led by Greg O'Mahoney; acting for cruise line in respect of COVID-19 personal injury claim
- [Plaza Films Pty Limited v David Frederick Carr](#): unled; acting for plaintiff in respect of professional negligence claim

Appellate

- [Annika Karlsson v Griffith University](#): unled; acting for Griffith University in respect of bankruptcy proceedings on appeal to Full Federal Court

As a solicitor

[Keith-Kayler Thomson & ors v Colonial First State Investments Limited & ors](#): acted for Commonwealth Bank of Australia and its subsidiary wealth management businesses in a class action brought by superannuation fund beneficiaries

[Australian Securities and Investments Commission v AMP Superannuation Ltd & ors](#): acted for AMP Superannuation and related Group companies in civil penalty proceedings brought by ASIC in relation to fee-for-no-service conduct

[The Queen v Avanteos Investments Ltd \[2022\] VCC 869](#): Acted for a superannuation trustee in criminal proceedings in relation to defective disclosure document offences under the Corporations Act

Acted for a superannuation trustee and related Group entities in a regulatory investigation by ASIC into conflicted remuneration issues

Acted for four directors of a major Australian bank in a regulatory investigation by ASIC in connection with proceedings brought against bank by AUSTRAC

Acted for international bank in regulatory investigations by AUSTRAC in relation to International Funds Transfer Instruction reporting and other AML/CTF obligations

[Smith & ors v Commonwealth of Australia](#): acted for the residents of Williamstown in representative proceedings against the Department of Defence in relation to environmental

contamination caused by the use of Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF) at the Williamstown RAAF site

AWARDS OR PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

2023: Christopher Gee QC Memorial Prize for first place in the NSW Bar Practice Course

2022: Judge Samuel Redshaw Prize for Administrative Law

2017: Dean's Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Law

2016: First place prize in International Trade and Finance Law

2015: First place prize in Constitutional Law

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

2023: New South Wales Bar Association

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023: Herbert Smith Freehills, Senior Associate (Commercial Litigation)

2019 - 2023: Herbert Smith Freehills, Solicitor (Commercial Litigation)

2018 - 2019: Dentons, Solicitor (Commercial Litigation)

PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

COMMERCIAL LAW

Administrative Law

Appellate

Banking and Financial Services

Bankruptcy and Insolvency

Building, Construction and Technology

Class Actions

Competition and Consumer

Contracts

Corporations and Securities

Insurance and Reinsurance

Intellectual Property

Product Liability

Partnership Disputes

Professional Liability

Real property

Restraint of trade

Shareholder Class Actions

Superannuation

Trade Practices

COMMON LAW

Appellate

Class Actions

Insurance and Reinsurance

Professional Indemnity

Professional Liability

EQUITY

Appellate

Property

Trusts

CRIMINAL

White Collar and Corporate Crime

Fraud

INQUESTS AND INQUIRIES

Commissions of Inquiry

PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Public Law

Judicial Review and Administrative Law