



## EMILY HALL

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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 class actions, commercial law, regulatory proceedings, 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

### Class actions

- [Baden Green v Johnson & Johnson Pacific Pty Ltd](#): led by Imtiaz Ahmed SC; acting for respondent in pharmaceutical consumer guarantees class action
- [Haverkort v Qantas Airways Ltd](#): led by Ruth Higgins SC; acting for respondent in COVID-19 flight credits class action
- [Perkins v Jetstar Airways Pty Ltd](#): led by Ruth Higgins SC and Kateena O'Gorman SC; acting for respondent in COVID-19 flight credits class action
- [Cayzer v Phoslock Environmental Technologies Ltd & ors](#): led by Sonia Tame; acting for former director in securities class action

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

#### Regulatory and inquiries

- [Independent Inquiry into The Star Pty Limited \(2024\)](#): led by Caspar Conde; acting as Counsel Assisting
- [ASIC v Venture 5 Group Pty Ltd](#): led by Luke Livingston SC; acting for ASIC in civil penalty proceedings regarding consumer credit contracts
- [ASIC v Fortnum Private Wealth](#): led by Greg O'Mahoney; acting for ASIC in civil penalty proceedings against an Australian Financial Services Licensee regarding cybersecurity
- Acting for ASIC in proceedings concerning a banning order against a financial adviser (led by Greg O'Mahoney)
- Acting for a former director in respect of a disqualification decision by APRA under the Financial Accountability Regime (led by Greg O'Mahoney)
- [State v Fiji Airlines Limited](#): led by Greg O'Mahoney; acting for respondent in criminal proceedings in Fiji concerning alleged offences under civil aviation regulations

#### 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
  - [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
  - [Woolworths Group Limited v Refina Pty Limited](#): led by Greg O'Mahoney; acting for plaintiff in commercial lease dispute
  - [LSEL Bankstown Pty Ltd v Kitchener 048 Service Pty Ltd](#): led by Luke Livingston SC; acting for defendant in respect of breach of contract for sale of land
  - [Cantali v Cantali](#): led by Roger Marshall SC; acting for defendant in family trust proceedings
  - [Federal Hospitality Equipment Pty Ltd v Kitcove Pty Ltd & ors](#): led by Scott Robertson SC; acting for plaintiff in commercial lease dispute
  - Acting for director and shareholder in oppression proceedings (led by Gideon Gee)
  - [Citation HR Pty Ltd v Duggal Services Pty Ltd](#): unled; acting for plaintiff in respect of a claim for breach of services contract
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**Appellate**

- [Tin-Tagel Majikk Pty Ltd v Wayne Craig Hockey](#): led by Ben Katekar SC; acting for respondent in respect of a claim for breach of warranties in respect of Share Sale Agreement
- [Commissioner of Taxation v Runcity Pty Ltd & ors \[2025\] FCAFC 152](#): led by Courtney Ensor; acting for appellant in proceedings concerning the scope of the power under s 601AH(3)(d) of the Corporations Act to make orders upon the reinstatement of deregistered companies
- [Annika Karlsson v Griffith University](#): unled; acting for Griffith University in bankruptcy proceedings on appeal to Full Federal Court

**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

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**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

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

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## AWARDS OR PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

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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

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2023: New South Wales Bar Association

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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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

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### COMMERCIAL LAW

Appellate

Banking and Financial Services

Class Actions

Competition and Consumer

Contracts

Insurance and Reinsurance

Shareholder Class Actions

Trade Practices

Real property

Superannuation

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### COMMON LAW

Appellate

Class Actions

Insurance and Reinsurance

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### EQUITY

Appellate

Property

Trusts