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Admitted to the legal profession
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Greg O'Mahoney has a wide-ranging practice in commercial and public law. He appears in appellate and trial courts, arbitral tribunals and commissions of inquiry.

Greg's commercial practice includes corporate law, contractual disputes, insurance, aviation, maritime, banking, arbitrations and class actions. His public law practice includes regulatory litigation, corporate crime, taxation law, administrative law, constitutional law and proceeds of crime litigation.

Greg appears for Airbus in a class action concerning the crash of an MRH90 helicopter in the Whitsundays. He appeared for Carnival and Princess Cruises in the *Ruby Princess* class action, the former Treasurer of the Arrium Group in proceedings brought by international lenders, the NT Chief Minister in a class action concerning a public health emergency declaration and the former CFO of the Star Group in litigation concerning breaches of directors' duties.

He appears widely for companies/individuals and regulators in proceedings brought by ASIC, APRA, the Commissioner of Taxation, the Australian Information Commissioner, the Civil Aviation Safety Authority and the Australian Federal Police.

Greg appears regularly in public inquiries across Australia, including corruption inquiries, Royal Commissions and coronial inquests. He has appeared in numerous ICAC inquiries, including as Counsel Assisting. He appeared for: Airbus in a recent IGADF Inquiry; the NT Government in the Royal Commission into the Detention and Protection of Children; and the ship owners in the Special Commission of Inquiry into the *Ruby Princess*. He is a member of the NSW Bar Association's Inquests and Inquiries Committee.

Greg has been recognised in the Australian Bar Legal 500 (Commercial Disputes; Regulatory and White-Collar Crime) and Doyle's Guide as a leading junior counsel (Transport Litigation; Taxation Law; Regulatory Law and White Collar Criminal Law).

Prior to coming to the Bar, Greg was Associate to the Hon. Murray Gleeson A.C., Chief Justice of Australia, and worked as a solicitor in litigation and arbitration at Mallesons Stephen Jacques.

He attended Oxford University on a Rhodes Scholarship for NSW. He has a BCL and DPhil from Oxford and a BA and LLB from the University of Sydney. During his BCL year, he was awarded the Ralph Chiles CBE Prize for Comparative Human Rights. During his time at Sydney University, he won the World Universities' Debating Championships in Glasgow.

Greg has taught corporations and contract law at Sydney University and Oxford University. He has established and taught a Masters course at Sydney University on the regulation of securities markets (including insider trading and market manipulation).

Greg sits on the AFL's Vilification and Discrimination Panel, and has sat on disciplinary tribunals for Tennis Australia. He appears widely in sports law matters.

At Sydney University, Greg was captain of tennis and won the University tennis championships across several years. He played in the Oxford University tennis team, and was captain of the Magdalen College team that won the Oxford Tennis Cuppers competition. He played in the Australian rules football team that won the NSW Lions Cup.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2010: Barrister, New South Wales Bar, Sydney.

2010 – 2023: Adjunct Lecturer, University of Sydney, teaching Masters course on the regulation of securities markets and white-collar crime.

2009 – 2014: Adjunct Lecturer, University of Sydney, teaching Corporations Law, Contracts and Advanced Corporations Law.

2005 – 2006: Associate to the Hon Murray Gleeson AC, Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia.

2000 – 2002: Commercial Litigation Solicitor, Mallesons Stephen Jacques.

SELECTED AWARDS OR RECENT PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

2026: The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Commercial Disputes Leading Junior (Band 1)
The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Crime and Regulatory Leading Junior (Band 1)
Doyles Guide – Leading Transport Junior Counsel
Doyles Guide – White Collar Criminal Law & Regulatory Law (Recommended)

2025: The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Commercial Disputes Leading Junior (Band 1)
The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Crime and Regulatory Leading Junior (Band 1)
Doyles Guide – Leading Transport Junior Counsel

2024: The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Commercial Disputes Leading Junior (Band 1)
The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Crime and Regulatory Leading Junior (Band 1)
Doyles Guide – Leading Transport Junior Counsel

2023: The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Commercial Disputes Leading Junior (Band 2)
The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Crime and Regulatory Leading Junior (Band 1)
Doyles Guide – Leading Transport Junior Counsel

2022: The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Commercial Disputes Leading Junior (Band 2)
The Legal 500 Asia Pacific – Crime and Regulatory Leading Junior (Band 1)

2021: Doyles Guide – Leading Tax Junior Counsel NSW

2003: Ralph Chiles CBE Prize for Comparative Human Rights (University of Oxford)

2002: Rhodes Scholar for New South Wales

2001: Winner, World Universities Debating Championships (Glasgow)

SELECTED CASES

Commercial, Corporations and Insolvency

Woolworths v Refina Pty Ltd (Supreme Court of NSW, ongoing) – appearing for Woolworths in lease dispute concerning alleged breaches of contract (leading Emily Hall).

Lancken v SDC Alliance (Supreme Court of NSW, ongoing) – construction dispute, involving alleged breaches of contract and misleading or deceptive conduct (leading Daniel Habashy).

Belverdere Pty Ltd v Idameneo Pty Ltd [2025] NSWSC 1327; (No 2) [2026] NSWSC 31 (appeal to NSWCA dismissed by consent April 2026) – appearing for national IVF business in case concerning alleged breaches of contract (leading Amy Reid).

LK Law Pty Ltd v Karas (Full Court Appeal – ongoing; (No 7) [2026] FCA 807) – appeal concerning questions on the law of trusts, agency, partnerships, fiduciary obligations in relation to the breakdown of a commercial relationship (led by Alan Sullivan KC and Peter Dunning KC, with Henry Cooper and Allan Flick).

LK Law Pty Ltd v Karas (No 5) [2026] FCA 1461; (No 4) [2025] FCA 1461; [2024] FCA 315; (No 3) [2023] FCA 1463 – appearing in proceedings arising from the breakdown of the partnership that founded the Lipman Karas law firm, involving alleged breach of fiduciary duty, insolvent trading, breach of shareholder agreements and misleading or deceptive conduct (led by Alan Sullivan KC, with Allan Flick)

McBeth & Ors v Coulson Aviation and NSW Rural Fire Service; Hudson v Coulson Aviation & Anor (Supreme Court of NSW, ongoing) – proceedings arising from the fatal crash of a plane during aerial firefighting activities in the Blue Mountains during the 2020/2021 bushfire season (leading Henry Cooper and Allan Flick).

JMC v Airbus (Federal Court, ongoing) – appearing for Airbus in proceedings concerning alleged breach of contract and misleading or deceptive conduct.

LFDB v SM (No 7) [2026] FCA 718 – appeared for law firm successfully resisting a joinder application in proceedings brought following the registration of two judgments of the High Court of New Zealand (leading Justen Nixon).

North Ltd v Zentree Investments & Ors (Federal Court, ongoing) – proceedings concerning the compulsory acquisition by Rio Tinto of minority shareholdings in a uranium mining company (led by Alan Sullivan KC, with Allan Flick).

Rosemary Paget & Ors v Aurora Travel Pty Ltd (Supreme Court of NSW) – proceedings brought by passengers who contracted COVID-19 on a cruise ship off the coast of Argentina (leading Winnie Liu and Emily Hall).

PSC Reliance Pty Ltd v Steadfast Group Ltd (Federal Court proceedings) – case concerning the termination of a longstanding insurance brokerage relationship (raising allegations of breach of contract, estoppel and misleading or deceptive conduct).

Adesanya v Hardy Nominees – dispute concerning the dissolution of the partnership and transfer of partnership property under s 39 of the *Partnership Act 1892* (NSW) (leading Allan Flick).

Lorebray Pty Ltd v Liddy [2024] NSWSC 1020; [2022] NSWSC 1633 – trust dispute concerning the character of funds paid out of trust property (leading Allan Flick).

Karpik v Carnival PLC & Anor [2023] FCA 1280; [2022] FCA 1318; [2022] FCA 1232 – appearing for owners of "Ruby Princess" in Federal Court class action proceedings brought by passengers who contracted COVID-19 (unled, leading Hernan Pintos-Lopez in respect of damages/quantum claim, led by David McLure SC, with Trent March, Amy Reid and Henry Cooper in case generally).

Agapetos v Armani [2023] FedCFamC1F 1072 – appearing for corporate defendants in proceedings concerning whether the property of certain trusts was able to be accessed by the plaintiff (leading Allan Flick).

Girgis v Dubbo Pharmacy Pty Ltd (settled) – Supreme Court proceedings concerning acquisition of a pharmacy business.

Computertrans Group Pty Ltd (in liq) v Insurance Australia Ltd (settled) – proceedings before the Federal Court and the Supreme Court of Victoria concerning insolvent trading, breach of contract and breaches of director's duties (leading Michael Noakhtar).

Mehmet Cihan v Kadir Cihan [2022] NSWSC 538 – dispute over trust with substantial commercial property assets, concerning validity of trust deeds, powers of trustee and nominator's power to replace trustee (led by David McLure SC).

Marlin Brands Australia v Brando Australia Holdco Pty Ltd [2022] NSWCA 59 – interlocutory appeal in proceedings concerning the sale of a business to a private equity fund; whether additional defendants were able to be joined to the proceedings with the joinder back-dated to the commencement of the proceedings (led by David McLure SC).

Moss as liquidator of EO Projects (in liq) v Peter Guest & Anor (Supreme Court of NSW) – appearing for former director in proceedings involving alleged breach of director's duties, insolvent trading, preferential payments (leading Eugene Chan).

In the matter of Empireal Ltd (in liq) (Receivers and Managers Appointed) – appearing for Chairman, CEO and various officers of Empireal Ltd in proceedings before the Supreme Court of NSW.

Woodgate as special purpose liquidator of Hemisphere Technologies Pty Ltd (in liq) v McCallum and Tayeh (Supreme Court of NSW) – proceedings concerning alleged breaches of liquidator's statutory duties.

Anchorage Capital Master Offshore Ltd v Sparkes; Bank of Communications Co Ltd v Sparkes (No 3) [2021] NSWSC 1025 – appearing for former Treasurer in proceedings concerning the $3 billion collapse of the Arrium group, brought by a syndicate of lenders alleging insolvent trading, misleading or deceptive conduct and breach of duty (led by Nic Owens SC).

Veolia Environment SA v Suez Australia Holding Pty Ltd & Ors [2021] FCA 344 – proceedings arising from Veolia's acquisition of Suez globally, involving alleged breach of directors' duties, breach of contract, misleading or deceptive conduct (led by Jeremy Giles SC).

City Pacific Ltd (in liq) v CBRE & Anor [2021] NSWSC 456 – appearing for former CBRE valuer in proceedings concerning the purchase of a marina on the Mornington Peninsula.

Anchorage Capital Master Offshore Ltd v Sparkes (No 2) [2021] NSWSC 35 – interlocutory applications concerning joinder and amendments to pleading in litigation arising from collapse of the Arrium group.

Brando Aus Holdco Pty Ltd v Shayne [2021] NSWSC 998 — interlocutory application in proceedings concerning the sale of a business to a private equity fund, involving alleged misleading or deceptive conduct, breach of director's duties and breaches of the Australian Consumer Law (led by David McLure SC).

Snowy Mountains Resorts Pty Ltd ats Leonard George Markham and Charlotte Pass Snow Resort Pty Ltd [2020] NSWSC 1180 – proceedings regarding sale of a ski resort involving alleged breach of contract and misleading or deceptive conduct.

In the matter of ACN 607 358 887 (formerly known as Carzapp Pty Ltd) [2019] NSWSC 1561; *(No 2)* [2020] NSWSC 144; *(No 3)* [2020] NSWSC 181; *(No 4)* [2020] NSWSC 417 – appearing for defendant company directors in shareholder oppression case following the sale of a business involving applications for freezing orders and injunctive relief.

Bank of Communications Co Ltd v Sparkes [2020] NSWSC 1684 – interlocutory application to amend pleading in proceedings brought by lenders following the collapse of the Arrium group (led by Nic Owens SC).

In the matter of McCallum and Tayeh – appearing for two liquidators in proceedings brought by Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand before the Disciplinary Tribunal of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand, 13 December 2019.

Paramount Lawyers Pty Ltd v Haffar (No 2) [2016] NSWSC 906 – application for third party costs order against solicitors in commercial proceedings (led by David McLure SC).

Campbelltown City Council v WSN Environmental Solutions Pty Ltd [2015] NSWCA 151 – appeared on interlocutory application before the NSW Court of Appeal.

BCI Finances Pty Ltd (in liq) v Binetter (No 3) [2015] FCA 1336 – interlocutory proceeding concerning freezing orders arising from claims by liquidators against former directors and associated entities; principles governing freezing orders against third parties; application to reopen freezing order application.

Addenbrooke Pty Ltd v Duncan & Ors [2015] FCA 793; [2014] FCA 625; [2013] FCA 820; [2013] FCA 573 – misleading or deceptive conduct case in relation to a capital raising/placement of shares in a mining business (led by Francis Douglas KC, with Justin Simpkins).

Colquhoun v Registrar-General (NSW) [2013] NSWSC 730 – appearing for the Plaintiffs in an application under s 70 of the *Community Land Development Act 1989* (NSW) to terminate a community lands scheme with consequential orders.

Re MCD Holdings Pty Ltd [2013] NSWSC 1296 – proceedings concerning corporate insolvency and related winding up applications (led by Anthony McInerney SC).

Bone v Wallalong Investments (No 2) [2012] NSWSC 203; [2012] NSWSC 137 – proceedings concerning alleged breaches of contract in relation to a $10m contract for the sale of land; loss of bargain damages; admissibility of expert valuation evidence (led by Elizabeth Cheeseman).

Barakat v Bazdarova [2012] NSWCA 140 – appeal from decision of the District Court concerning breach of contract and misleading or deceptive conduct claims against Keddies Lawyers (led by Geoffrey Watson SC).

Barakat v Goritsas (No 2) [2012] NSWCA 36; [2012] NSWCA 8; [2012] NSWSC 36 – successfully resisted appeal from decision of the primary judge rejecting a recusal application based on alleged apprehended bias (led by Robert Stitt KC).

The Owners Strata Plan 78622 v Kingston Building Pty Ltd – litigation concerning building/construction dispute; jurisdiction of District Court (led by Anthony McInerney SC).

CGU Insurance Ltd v Bazem Pty Ltd [2011] NSWCA 81 – appeal concerning whether an insurer could be properly joined to proceedings against the insured; scope of the Court's discretionary power to permit joinder under UCPR r 6.19 (led by A W Street SC).

International Art Holdings Pty Ltd (administrator appointed) v Adams [2011] NSWSC 164 – insolvency/equity proceedings concerning the administration of an art investment business and competing claims to artworks in its possession.

Re Trio Capital Ltd (in liq) [2011] NSWSC 1483 – insolvency proceeding arising from the collapse of Trio Capital (led by Anthony McInerney).

Chafei v Barakat, Russell Keddie & Ors [2011] NSWDC 153 – one of numerous cases I appeared in for former clients of Keddies Lawyers alleging breach of contract and misleading or deceptive conduct (led by Geoffrey Watson SC).

Regulatory, Civil Penalty and White Collar/Corporate Crime

Commissioner of Fair Trading v Network Strata Services Pty Ltd & Anor (NSW Supreme Court, ongoing) – criminal prosecution alleging multiple breaches of statutory obligations under the *Property and Stock Agents Act 2002* (NSW).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Alex & Ors (Qld Supreme Court, decided 19 February 2026) - proceedings concerning applications under s 94 of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) to exclude property from forfeiture (leading Daniel Habashy).

Perez v Commissioner of Taxation (Full Court of the Federal Court, ongoing) – appeal from judgment of Kennett J on liability in promoter penalty proceedings (leading Eugene Chan).

Commissioner of Taxation v Perez [2026] FCA 658; [2023] FCA 1221 (ongoing) – civil penalty proceedings concerning allegations of promoting and marketing tax exploitation schemes and tax evasion (leading Eugene Chan).

Freedom Wealth & Anor and ASIC (ART stay decision handed down 15 June 2026, ongoing) – proceedings relating to banning orders made against a financial advisory firm and its authorised representative.

Spooner v ASIC (ART, ongoing) – proceedings concerning a banning order made against a financial advisor arising out of the collapse of Shield funds (leading Tim Farhall and Garry Zhang).

GSGN v ASIC (ART, ongoing) – proceedings concerning a banning order made against a financial advisor arising out of the collapse of Shield funds (leading Emily Hall).

XVYR & Ors v Australian Prudential Regulation Authority – appearing for former Chair of an Australian Bank in proceedings under the *Financial Accountability Regime Act 2023* (Cth) concerning whether multiple former officers of a bank should be disqualified from being accountable persons (leading Emily Hall).

Australian Securities and Investments Commission v Finder Wallet Pty Ltd [2025] FCAFC 93; [2024] FCA 228 – acting for Australian cryptocurrency business in proceedings concerning the regulation of cryptocurrency transactions and platforms under the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (led by Nic Owens SC).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Memon (No 4) [2025] NSWSC 967 – appearing for Commissioner in proceedings concerning proper construction of the forfeiture regime provided for in ss 92 and 92A of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) (leading Diana Tang).

Comcare (May) v Helicopter Resources [2024] ACTCA 6; [2022] ACTCA 15; [2021] ACTSC 116; [2019] ACTMC 31; [2019] ACTMC 20 – prosecution brought under Commonwealth workplace health and safety legislation concerning the death of a pilot 200 nautical miles west of Australia's Davis Station in Antarctica (leading Daniel Habashy).

State v Fiji Airlines Limited & Ors (High Court of Fiji, ongoing) – appearing for Fiji Airlines in proceedings concerning allegations of corruption, bribery and criminal breaches of *Fiji's Civil Aviation (Security) Regulations* (leading Emily Hall).

Australian Securities and Investments Commission v Fortnum Private Wealth Ltd (Supreme Court of NSW, ongoing) – appearing for ASIC in proceedings concerning alleged cybersecurity-related breaches of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (led by Justin Hewitt SC, with Emily Hall).

ASIC v Hawkins [2025] FCA 121; *ASIC v Bekier (Separate Relief Hearing)* [2025] FCA 84 – appearing for former CFO of Star Entertainment Group in proceedings brought by ASIC against directors and executives concerning the operation of its casino business (led by Garry Rich SC).

Investigation into potential criminal breaches of the *Biosecurity Act 2015* (Cth) concerning voyage of *Ruby Princess* – appearing for ship owners/operators, Carnival and Princess Cruises, in criminal investigation into the conduct of the *Ruby Princess* voyage during which there was a Covid-19 outbreak.

Commissioner of the AFP v Nguyen; Commissioner of the AFP v Vo (Supreme Court of NSW) – appearing for the Commissioner in proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) concerning alleged money laundering in respect of cryptocurrency transactions and fund transfers in Vietnam, Hong Kong and Australia (leading Kathleen Morris and Winnie Liu).

Australian Information Commissioner v Medibank – appeared for the Information Commissioner in its investigation into the Medibank data breach and in Federal Court proceedings brought for breaches of the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (led by Ruth Higgins SC).

Karamian v ASIC [2024] AATA 2006 – appeared for financial advisor in proceedings concerning a permanent banning order for professional misconduct (leading Allan Flick).

Commissioner of Taxation v Bakarich [2024] FCA 1448; [2022] FCA 1032 – civil penalty proceedings concerning promotion of multiple tax exploitation schemes (leading Karen Petch and Amy Reid).

Investigation into Optus Data Breach Conducted by the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner – acted for the OAIC in the investigation of the Optus data breach for potential breaches of the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (led by Ruth Higgins SC).

Commissioner of the Australian Federal Police v Duggan [2023] NSWSC 1511 – appearing for Commissioner of the AFP in proceedings seeking discharge of an order made for the registration of a foreign restraining order (leading Daniel Habashy).

Bringans & Ors v ASIC [2023] AATA 3103; [2023] AATA 3096 – proceedings seeking review of banning order prohibiting the applicant from working in any financial services business (leading Georgina Westgarth).

ASIC v Ascot Securities & Ors (Market Disciplinary Panel) – appeared for Ascot Securities in a market manipulation case under s 1041A of the *Corporations Act* 2001 (Cth) (leading Winnie Liu).

Commissioner of the Australian Federal Police v Chen [2022] NSWSC 1719; *(No 2)* [2022] NSWSC 1743; *(No 3)* [2022] NSWSC 1745 – appearing for Commissioner in proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) concerning the forfeiture of property alleged to be the proceeds of money laundering and illegal tobacco importation (leading Daniel Habashy).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Cranston & Ors (ongoing, [2022] NSWSC 1051; [2019] NSWCA 101; [2018] NSWSC 365; [2018] NSWSC 542; [2017] NSWSC 624; [2017] NSWSC 673; [2017] NSWSC 674) – appearing for Commissioner in proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) against over 70 defendants concerning one of Australia's largest ever white collar crimes (unled in part, led in part by David McLure SC).

Commissioner of Taxation v Bogiatto & Ors [2020] FCA 1139; *(No 2)* [2021] FCA 98 – civil penalty proceedings concerning breaches of the promoter penalty regime provided for in Schedule 1 to the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) (led by David McLure SC).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Omar & Ors [2020] NSWSC 155; [2020] NSWSC 418; [2020] NSWSC 1944; [2021] NSWSC 366 – proceedings seeking pecuniary penalty orders under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth), concerning a substantial fraud on the Commonwealth Family Day Care Scheme (leading Karen Petch).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Whittall & Anor [2020] NSWSC 1546 – proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) concerning alleged proceeds of money laundering, fraud and narcotics importation.

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Memon [2020] NSWSC 1619; *(No 2)* [2020] NSWSC 1636 – proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) concerning a substantial fraud on the National Disability and Insurance Scheme. The case involved a constitutional challenge to the validity of various provisions of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) (leading Diana Tang).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Huang [2019] NSWSC 1076 – proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act* 2002 (Cth) concerning alleged money laundering across multiple jurisdictions.

Onley & Ors v Commissioner of the AFP [HCA Special Leave Application] – successfully resisted grant of special leave to appeal (led by David McLure SC).

Onley & Ors v Commissioner of the AFP [2019] NSWCA 101; [2018] NSWSC 365 – appeal concerning refusal to set aside or stay examination orders made under s 180 of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) (led by David McLure SC).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Gwe and Hoang [2018] NSWSC 992 – proceedings under *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) concerning alleged money laundering across multiple jurisdictions (led by Arthur Moses SC).

Curan v R [2017] NSWCCA 123 – appeared successfully for the appellant seeking to overturn a decision of the trial judge to discharge a jury (led by Graham Turnbull SC).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Sun [2017] NSWSC 1476 – proceedings under *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) in respect of money laundering activities involving multiple jurisdictions in South-East Asia.

Commissioner of the AFP v Vo [2015] NSWSC 1523 – proceedings brought under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v W (No 4) [2017] NSWSC 1554; *(No 4)* [2016] NSWSC 1200 – proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) (led by Arthur Moses SC).

Commissioner of Australian Federal Police v Hitchens (NSW Supreme Court) – proceedings concerning alleged fraud, tax evasion and money laundering (unled).

Commissioner of the Australian Federal Police v Dickson [2013] NSWSC 1584; [2013] NSWSC 749 – proceedings under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) concerning tax fraud offences (led by Elizabeth Cheeseman SC).

Dale v Firth [2012] NSWSC 401 – proceedings concerning the application of provisions of the *Legal Profession Act 2004* (NSW).

Aghili v Australian Securities and Investments Commission [2012] AATA 353 – appeared for ASIC in proceedings brought by ACT-based property developer seeking review of banning order decision under the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).

RSPCA (NSW) v Elliott [2012] NSWSC 585; *(No 2)* [2012] NSWSC 1016 – proceedings concerning the operation of animal welfare legislation in respect of neglected greyhounds (led by James Sheller).

	State of NSW v Hage-Ali [2011] NSWCA 31 – successfully resisted an application for leave to appeal from an award of damages for wrongful arrest and false imprisonment (led by A Melick SC and James Sheller).
Public Law, Public Inquiries and Inquests	National Anti-Corruption Commission (ongoing) – counsel assisting the Inspector in relation to two complaint investigations concerning alleged conduct on the part of the NACC Commissioner (leading Emily Hall). NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Rosny (ongoing) – appearing for Shadow Attorney General and leader of Opposition in NSW Legislative Counsel in inquiry into political fundraising activities. Inquest into the death of Helen Honey (Coroners Court of NSW, ongoing) – Counsel Assisting at Inquest into the death of a patient at the John Hunter Hospital. Sea World Helicopter Crash Inquest (Coroners Court of Queensland, ongoing) – Inquest concerning the fatal collision between two helicopters at Sea World. Inquest into death of Captain David Wood (ACT Coroners Court) – appearing for the employer of a helicopter pilot who died in an accident while assisting with Australia's operations in Antarctica (leading Daniel Habashy). IGADF inquiry into procurement in relation to the ADF's Individual Skills Enhancement Training – Tactical and Specialist Driver Packages (ongoing) – appearing for senior Commonwealth public servant in respect of the procurement-related aspects of this inquiry. Inquiry into Greyhound Racing NSW – appearing for the Deputy Chair of Greyhound Racing NSW in public inquiry into corporate governance, procurement practices and regulatory compliance within the industry. Independent Review of Northern Territory Police Recruitment Processes – appearing for the Northern Territory in respect of foreshadowed application to injunct the handing down of the report of the Hon. Acting Justice Blow. Inquests and Inquiries into 2019/2020 NSW Bushfire Season – appearing for aviation firefighting services company at inquest/inquiry into the fatal crash of a C130 Hercules airtanker (leading Allan Flick). *Majetic & Ors v Fyles* [2023] NTLC 12 – appearing for the NT Health Minister in proceedings brought by 120 appellants against decision to extend the COVID-19 related public health emergency (leading Winnie Liu). Public Inquiry into Star Casino (conducted by Adam Bell SC) – appearing for officers and employees of Star, including the former Chief Financial Officer. Special Commission of Inquiry into the Ruby Princess (conducted by Bret Walker SC) – appearing for the ship owners/operators, Carnival and Princess Cruises, at this public inquiry into the voyage of the *Ruby Princess* that returned to Sydney in the midst of the initial Covid-19 outbreak (led by David McLure SC, appearing with Amy Reid and Henry Cooper). Inquest into deaths arising from plane crash at Caboolture Airfield, Queensland (Queensland Coroners Court) – appearing for plane manufacturer at the inquest into a fatal plane crash that occurred during a skydiving operation.

Inquest into the March 2020 voyage of the *Ruby Princess* (Coroners Court of NSW) – appearing for ship owners/operators, Carnival and Princess Cruises, at inquest concerning voyage that resulted in 28 deaths.

Helicopter Resources Pty Ltd v Commonwealth of Australia [2018] FCA 991 – proceedings concerning stay of coronial inquest in the context of a related criminal prosecution.

Thompson v NSW Department of Education [2018] FCA 1704 – proceedings concerning claims for damages brought in respect of breaches of the *Racial Discrimination Act 1975* (Cth) (leading Diana Tang).

Lawrie v Lawlor [HCA Special Leave Application] – successfully resisted grant of special leave to appeal (led by David McLure SC).

Inquest into deaths on board the *Sage Sagittarius* (Coroners Court of NSW) – appearing for Nippon Line, owners of the ship and other interested persons, at inquest into multiple deaths (led by David McLure SC).

Royal Commission into the Protection and Detention of Children in the Northern Territory – appeared for the Northern Territory in Royal Commission concerning how children were treated in detention centres, as well as within the welfare system in the Northern Territory (led by Sonia Brownhill SC, appearing with Chad Jacobi).

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Credo – Counsel Assisting in public inquiry into dealings between Australian Water Holdings and Sydney Water Corporation (led by Geoffrey Watson SC).

Lawrie v Lawlor [2016] NTCA 03; [2016] NTCA 04 – judicial review proceedings concerning the conduct of a corruption inquiry (led by David McLure SC).

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Gardel – Counsel Assisting in inquiry into the conduct of a former speaker of the NSW Legislative Assembly (unled).

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Regent – Counsel Assisting in inquiry into the conduct of a former Federal Minister in relation to public officials in NSW (unled).

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Spicer – Counsel Assisting in public inquiry into political donations (led by Geoffrey Watson SC).

Operation Prospect, Inquiry into Allegations/Complaints about Conduct of Officers of the Police Integrity Commission, the NSW Crime Commission and the NSW Police Force (NSW Ombudsman), appeared for former head of criminal enforcement/prosecutions within the Police Integrity Commission and the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Cavill – public inquiry into former Mayor of Ryde.

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Tilga – appeared for the Art Gallery of NSW Head of Security in public inquiry into security industry.

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operations Acacia and Jasper – appeared for Addenbrooke Pty Ltd, a major shareholder in Cascade Coal Pty Ltd, in public inquiry into approval of Mount Penny coal mine.

NSW Independent Commission Against Corruption, Operation Syracuse – appeared for former Member of NSW Legislative Assembly in public inquiry into expense claims.

	Special Commission of Inquiry into the NSW Government's Sale of Electricity Assets ("Gentrader Inquiry") – appeared for NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet in inquiry into the Gentrader transactions (i.e. the sale of electricity infrastructure assets by NSW Government) (led by Kelly Rees SC). Review into Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW) – Counsel Assisting the Review Panel (which included the Hon Trevor Morling KC and Frank Brennan SJ), which was appointed to provide a report to the NSW Government (unled).
Aviation, Maritime and Transport	*Lyon v Commonwealth & Airbus Australia Pacific Ltd* (Federal Court, ongoing) – appearing for Airbus in class action concerning the crash of an MRH-90 Taipan helicopter that killed multiple Australian Defence Force personnel. The case concerns alleged breach of duty in respect of aircraft systems/configuration, mission authorisation and handling of degraded visual conditions. *Evans v Air Canada* [2025] HCA 22 – appeared for Air Canada on appeal concerning whether its International Tariff excluded a defence available to the carrier provided for in the Montreal Convention (led by Justin Gleeson SC, with Luca Moretti). *State v Fiji Airlines Limited & Ors* (ongoing) – appearing for Fiji Airlines in proceedings concerning *inter alia* alleged breaches of Fiji's Civil Aviation Regulations (leading Emily Hall). *NSW Fair Trading and RCL Cruises Ltd* (ongoing) – acting for cruise ship operator in relation to investigation concerning potential breaches of Australian Consumer Law. *United Exports v QBE Insurance* (ongoing) – marine insurance cargo dispute involving substantial South African exporter of agricultural products (leading Henry Cooper). *JMC v Airbus* – appearing for Airbus in Federal Court proceedings concerning alleged breach of contract and misleading or deceptive conduct in respect of a helicopter purchase. *Rosemary Paget & Ors v Aurora Travel Pty Ltd* (Supreme Court of NSW) – appearing for tour operator/ship owner in proceedings brought by passengers who contracted COVID-19 on a voyage between Argentina and Antarctica (leading Winnie Liu and Emily Hall). *Virgin Voyages v Jones & Ors* – appearing for ship owner/cruise operator in dispute arising in multiple jurisdictions concerning a potential anti-suit injunction (leading Thomas Scott). *Comcare (May) v Helicopter Resources & Anor* [2024] ACTCA 6 – appearing for Australia's largest helicopter services company in 4-day appeal before the ACT Court of Appeal from a decision of the ACT Supreme Court refusing an appeal against acquittal in a workplace health and safety prosecution (leading Daniel Habashy). *Evans v Air Canada* [2024] NSWCA 153 – appeal concerning whether Air Canada's International Tariff had waived the defence in Art 21(2) of the Montreal Convention (led by Justin Gleeson SC, with Daniel Habashy). *Dan Bunkering (Singapore) Pte Ltd v The Ship "Yangtze Fortune"* (No 3) [2024] FCA 219 – admiralty proceedings concerning a dispute in respect of the judicial sale of the ship Yangtze Fortune (leading Anna Elizabeth). *Karpik v Carnival PLC & Anor* [2023] FCA 1280; [2021] FCA 1082 (stay application) – appearing for cruise ship owners/operators, Carnival and Princess Cruises, in class action brought by passengers following a COVID-19 outbreak on the *Ruby Princess* (unled in respect of damages/quantum claim, leading Hernan Pintos-Lopez).

Evans v Air Canada [2023] NSWSC 1535 – appeared for Air Canada at hearing of two separate questions in proceedings brought by passengers in respect of alleged physical and psychological injury suffered as a result of severe turbulence on a flight from Vancouver to Sydney: *(1)* whether the *Civil Liability Act 2002* (NSW) applies to a claim for damages under the Montreal Convention; *(2)* whether Air Canada had contracted out of Art 21(2) of the Montreal Convention (leading Allan Flick).

The Expedition Shipping Partners and Others v Caledonian Sky (Federal Court) – admiralty proceedings concerning the arrest of a vessel (leading Anna Elizabeth).

Hapag-Lloyds Ships Ltd & Anor v State of New South Wales and Port Authority of NSW; *DP World v Hapag Lloyd Ships Ltd & Ors* (NSW Supreme Court) – appearing for NSW Ports in proceedings arising out of accident at Port Botany terminal (leading Anna Elizabeth).

The Trust Company (PTAL) Limited as trustee for Mulpha Hotel Trust & Anor v Cruise Whitsundays Pty Ltd (NSW Supreme Court) – proceedings concerning sale of two vessels to owner of Hayman Island and related allegations of breach of contract, negligence and misleading or deceptive conduct (leading Winnie Liu).

James Smith v RCL Cruise Lines t/as Royal Caribbean Cruises (NSW Supreme Court) – appearing for ship owner in proceedings concerning alleged breaches of contract, breaches of Australian Consumer Law, breach of duty and misleading or deceptive conduct.

Comcare (May) v Helicopter Resources & Cth v Comcare (May) [2022] ACTCA 15 – hearing before the ACT Court of Appeal dealing with the competency of prosecution appeals following acquittals; whether an appeal under s 37E of the *Supreme Court Act 1933* (ACT) is contrary to double jeopardy principle addressed in *Thompson v Mastertouch TV Service Pty Ltd* (1978) 19 AL 547 (leading Daniel Habashy).

Comcare (May) v Helicopter Resources; Commonwealth v Comcare (May) [2021] ACTSC 116 — appearing for the respondent in 5-day appeal brought by the Crown following the acquittal of Helicopter Resources in a workplace health and safety prosecution concerning the death of a helicopter pilot in Antarctica (leading Daniel Habashy).

Heli-Aust Pty Ltd v Civil Aviation Safety Authority [2019] NSWSC 506 – appeared for plaintiff helicopter services company in proceedings concerning allegations of breach of duty, breach of contract and misrepresentation related to a fatal helicopter accident in Western Australia.

Comcare (May) v Helicopter Resources & Anor (No 2) [2019] ACTMC 31; [2019] ACTMC 20 – appearing for Helicopter Resources in 4-week workplace health and safety prosecution concerning the death of a pilot 200 nautical miles west of Australia's Davis Station in Antarctica; interplay between workplace health and safety legislation and civil aviation regulation (leading Daniel Habashy).

Taxation

Perez v Commissioner of Taxation (Full Court of the Federal Court, ongoing) – appeal from judgment of Kennett J on liability in promoter penalty proceedings (leading Eugene Chan).

Commissioner of Taxation v Perez [2026] FCA 658; [2023] FCA 1221 (ongoing) – civil penalty proceedings concerning allegations of promoting and marketing tax exploitation schemes and tax evasion (leading Eugene Chan).

Ziegler & Anor v Commissioner of Taxation [2026] HCADisp 89 – successfully resisted grant of special leave to appeal (led by Stephen Lloyd SC, with Eugene Chan).

Prestige and Commissioner of Taxation [2026] ARTA 627 – proceedings concerning the FBT treatment of luxury vehicles owned by a corporate taxpayer and the availability of penalties and remission (leading Georgia Adams).

Gardiner & Anor and Chief Commissioner of State Revenue (NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal) – appearing for taxpayers in proceedings concerning whether a liability arose for *ad valorem* duty in respect of a settlement of a discretionary trust (leading Justen Nixon).

Ziegler & Anor v Commissioner of Taxation [2025] FCAFC 168 – Full Court appeal concerning multiple assessments in respect of two taxpayers. The appeal raises questions including whether assessments are excessive if contrary to a settlement deed, as well as the proper operation of s 177EA of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* (Cth) and s 8AAZN of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) (leading Eugene Chan).

ZFPR and Commissioner of Taxation [2025] ARTA 572 – proceedings concerning the treatment of amounts alleged to be related party gifts and loans, involving the interplay between *hongbao* ("red envelope money") and aspects of Australia's tax laws, as well as alleged fraud or evasion spanning a decade (leading Neha Dubey).

Commissioner of Taxation v Perez [2026] FCA 658; [2023] FCA 1221 (ongoing) – proceedings concerning alleged promotion and marketing of tax exploitation schemes and tax evasion in breach of s 290-50 of Schedule 1 to the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) (leading Eugene Chan).

Ziegler v Commissioner of Taxation (Federal Court, ongoing) – judicial review proceedings under s 39B of the *Judiciary Act 1903* (Cth) alleging that assessments are legally invalid by reason of an alleged breach of a deed by the Commissioner, and seeking to restrain the Commissioner from issuing further assessments (led by Stephen Lloyd SC, with Eugene Chan).

BSKF and HYGT v Commissioner of Taxation [2024] AATA 3377 – proceedings concerning an alleged Part IVA scheme, fraud/evasion and the limits of the Tribunal's jurisdiction when considering a taxpayer's statutory burden (leading Eugene Chan).

Commissioner of Taxation v Bakarich [2024] FCA 1448; [2022] FCA 1032 – proceedings concerning alleged promotion and marketing of tax exploitation schemes and tax evasion in breach of s 290-50 of Schedule 1 to the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) (leading Karen Petch and Amy Reid).

Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Duong & Ors (Federal Court, ongoing) – proceedings concerning freezing orders and recovery of over $110 million in taxation debts (leading Nicholas Walter).

Whiddon and Commissioner of Taxation [2022] AATA 197 – proceedings brought by mining entrepreneur concerning interplay between certain oil and gas asset transactions in multiple jurisdictions and Australia's taxation laws (led by Eugene Wheelahan KC).

J & M Loghandling v Commissioner of Taxation (Federal Court) – appeared for pastoral company in proceedings concerning income tax before Administrative Appeals Tribunal and the Federal Court.

Plaskitt v Tax Practitioners Board [2022] AATA 267 – proceedings brought by accountant/tax agent who had been disqualified under the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* (Cth) following misappropriation of client funds.

Le'Sam Accounting Pty Ltd and Rizkallah v Tax Practitioners Board; Rizkallah v Tax Practitioners Board [2021] AATA 1593; [2020] FCA 431; [2020] AATA 890 – proceedings brought by accountant/tax agent who had been disqualified under the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* (Cth) for unauthorised access of client accounts; appeal to the Federal Court (leading Matthew Robinson)

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Beckett v Tax Practitioners Board [2021] AATA 1234; [2019] FCA 353; [2018] AATA 1860 – proceedings brought by accountant/tax agent disqualified under the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* (Cth) for perjury and creating falsified bank cheques; appeal to the Federal Court.

Hanna v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation [2020] FCA 1021 (Jagot J) – proceeding concerning the standing of an undischarged bankrupt to pursue challenged to taxation assessments.

ACN 154 520 199 Pty Ltd (in liq) v Commissioner of Taxation [2020] FCAFC 225; [2019] AATA 5981 (led by G Davies KC and E Wheelahan KC) – proceedings involving an alleged scheme under Part IVA of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* (Cth) arising from a substantial gold trading operation (led by Greg Davies KC and Eugene Wheelahan KC, with Catherine Davies).

Mahathevan v Tax Practitioners Board [2020] AATA 3381 – proceedings brought by an accountant/tax agent disqualified under the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* (Cth) for making fraudulent representations to the Australian Taxation Office.

Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Wang [2020] FCA 1711 – proceedings directed towards freezing orders and recovery of substantial individual and corporate taxation debts (leading Stephanie Gaussen).

Hanna v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation [2020] FCA 1467 (Flick J) – proceedings arising from challenges to ATO decisions and assessments by an undischarged bankrupt; consequences of bankruptcy for the taxpayer's ability to pursue those challenges.

Deputy Commission of Taxation v Mahmoud and Anor (Supreme Court of NSW) – proceedings directed towards the recovery of substantial individual and corporate taxation debts against individuals and related companies (leading Daniel Habashy).

Gould and Tax Practitioners Board [2019] AATA 1056 – proceedings concerning the de-registration of a tax agent under the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* (Cth).

Hawkins v Commissioner of Taxation [2019] FCA 627; [2017] FCA 1247 – proceedings concerning judicial review applications in respect of decisions of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

Byron Pty Ltd and Commissioner of Taxation [2019] AATA 2042 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth).

VMQD and Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2018] AATA 3147 – proceeding concerning the application of s 37 of the AAT Act, as modified by s 14ZZF of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) (led by Angus Stewart SC).

Re Precise Training Pty Ltd [2018] NSWSC 1383 – proceedings under s 459H of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) to set aside creditor's statutory demand served by the Chief Commissioner of State Revenue (leading Keni Josifoski).

Ransley v Commissioner of Taxation [2018] FCA 1796; [2018] AATA 4359 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning the sale of shares in a coal mining operation that had been the subject of a NSW ICAC inquiry (led by Elizabeth Cheeseman SC).

Mavris and Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2018] AATA 4130; [2018] AATA 1825 – proceedings concerning the luxury car tax regime.

KPTT and Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2018] AATA 3146 – application concerning the scope and application of the Commissioner's obligation to provide documents to the AAT under s 37 of the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975* (Cth).

News Australia Holdings Pty Ltd v Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2017] FCA 645 – income tax case concerning the timing of derivation of US$66m in interest income by a controlled foreign corporation (in the Cayman Islands), and whether such income was derived on an accruals or receipts basis for the purposes of attribution under the controlled foreign corporation regime (led by James Hmelnitsky, with Michael Cosgrove).

Zappia v Commissioner of Taxation [2017] FCAFC 185 – appeal concerning the ways in which a taxpayer may permissibly seek to discharge its statutory burden in Part IVC proceedings (leading K Josifoski).

Hawkins v Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2017] FCA 1247 – appeal from decision of the AAT concerning dispute as to the scope and application of s 37 of the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975* (Cth).

VMQD and Commissioner of Taxation [2017] AATA 1430 – application concerning the scope and application of s 37 of the *Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975* (Cth) to a taxation dispute traversing transactions in multiple jurisdictions across over 20 years.

Carr v Commissioner of Taxation [2017] FCA 1486; [2016] AATA 638 – appeal from decision of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal concerning default tax assessments issued under s 167 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1936* (Cth) (leading Keni Josifoski).

Peter Sleiman Investments v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation [2017] NSWCA 81; [2016] NSWSC 1657 – proceedings concerning winding up of a trustee company based on tax judgment debt and GST liability, and related stay application (led by Nigel Cotman SC).

Peter Sleiman Investments and Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2017] AATA 999 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning multiple taxation assessments and allegations of fraud/evasion.

Zappia v Commissioner of Taxation [2017] FCA 390 – proceedings concerning scope of the burden borne by taxpayers under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) and whether funds were transferred to the taxpayer on revenue account or by way of a loan (leading Keni Josifoski).

VMQD and Commissioner of Taxation [2017] AATA 846 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) involving allegations of a Part IVA scheme and fraud or evasion.

MSAUS Pty Ltd ATF Melissa Trust and Commissioner of Taxation [2017] AATA 1408 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning the tax treatment of transactions arising from the development of the Sebel Manly Beach Hotel (leading Keni Josifoski).

Academy Cleaning v Commissioner of Taxation [2017] FCA 875 – proceedings concerning whether deductions arising under an emissions reduction purchase agreement could lawfully be claimed under s 8-1 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* (Cth) (led by Kristen Deards SC).

Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Binetter [2017] FCA 69 – proceedings arising in respect of substantial tax debts on the part of members of the Binetter family and entities associated with them (led by Kristina Stern SC, with Keni Josifoski).

Blank v Commissioner of Taxation [2016] HCATrans 115 – appeared on application for grant of special leave to appeal (led by James Hmelnitsky SC).

McKinnon Holdings (NSW) Pty Ltd ATF McKinnon Equipment Trust and Commissioner of Taxation (Taxation) [2016] AATA 917 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning the applicant's claim of GST input tax credits.

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Hill and Commissioner of Taxation [2016] AATA 514 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning the applicant's entitlement to claim deductions pursuant to s 8-1 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1977* (Cth).

Ghazzoui v Tax Practitioners Board [2016] AATA 839 – disciplinary proceedings arising from the de-registration of a tax agent for complicity in tax evasion and fraud.

Blank v Commissioner of Taxation [2015] FCAFC 154; [2014] FCA 87; [2014] FCA 517 – proceedings concerning whether amounts paid to the taxpayer, an employee of a substantial global mining business, were assessable as ordinary income (led by James Hmelnitsky SC).

Sedgwick v Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2015] AATA 690 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning whether the applicant could lawfully claim GST input tax credits.

Trustee for SBM Trust and Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2015] AATA 174 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) concerning whether the applicant could lawfully claim input tax credits.

Federal Commissioner of Taxation v Sibai [2015] FCA 1465 – appeared for the Commissioner in proceedings concerning recovery of taxation debts.

Mac v Deputy Commissioner of Taxation [2014] FCCA 1426 – proceedings concerning an application to set aside a Bankruptcy Notice that was issued following the settlement of proceeds of crime proceedings relating to drug trafficking and money laundering.

Advent 7 Pty Ltd and Commissioner of Taxation [2014] AATA 365 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning whether the applicant was entitled to claim GST input tax credits and whether the penalty for recklessness was correctly imposed.

Dotrac Pty Ltd and Commissioner of Taxation [2014] AATA 336 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), concerning an application for review of objection decisions in relation to the applicants' entitlement to input tax credits under the GST legislation.

Cartesian Capital Pty Ltd and Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2014] AATA 49 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) concerning a penalty assessment in relation to GST shortfall.

Research Scientist and Commissioner of Taxation [2014] AATA 242 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) concerning a review of an objection decision and findings of fraud or evasion on the part of the taxpayer.

Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Binetter [2013] FCA 670 – proceedings directed towards the recovery of substantial taxation debts, and an application seeking to set aside freezing orders (led by David McGovern SC).

Hartley and Commissioner of Taxation [2013] AATA 601 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) concerning whether the applicant was a share trader or share investor for the purposes of income tax assessments across multiple years.

Russell and Commissioner of Taxation [2013] AATA 621 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) concerning multiple income tax assessments.

Naidoo and Commissioner of Taxation [2013] AATA 443 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth) concerning whether a partnership was carrying on an enterprise for the

purposes of the *A New Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) Act 1999* (Cth) and entitled to claim input tax credits.

Swanbat Pty Ltd and Commissioner of Taxation [2013] AATA 891 – proceedings under Part IVC of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth).

Deputy Commissioner of Taxation v Binetter [2013] FCA 670 – appeared in proceedings concerning substantial taxation debts; application to discharge freezing orders.

MacMahon v Commissioner of Taxation [2011] AATA 809 – tax proceedings concerning application of Part IVA, the tax treatment of various share disposals and other receipts and penalties for tax avoidance (led by Tom Thawley SC).

Carberry v Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2011] AATA 303 – case concerning the tax treatment of a NSW Government payment to a farmer whose water rights were to be reduced – specifically whether it was ordinary income, a bounty or subsidy or a capital gain (led by Tom Thawley SC).

Macmahon v Block [2010] FCA 947 – successfully resisted an appeal to the Federal Court from a decision of the AAT refusing to stay proceedings (led by Tom Thawley SC).

MacMahon v Federal Commissioner of Taxation [2011] AATA 809; [2010] AATA 724 – capital gains tax/tax avoidance case dealing with the application of Part IVA to a series of restructuring transactions (led by Tom Thawley SC).

Virgin Blue Airlines Pty Ltd v Commissioner of Taxation [2010] FCA 631 – appearing in proceedings concerning an objection application in relation to multiple fringe benefit tax assessments (led by Tom Thawley SC).

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS, PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

"Metes and Bounds of Anti-Corruption Bodies", presenting in a panel with the Chief Justice of Tasmania, Christopher Shanahan and Gail Furness SC at the Australian Bar Association Annual Conference, "Crossroads 2025" on 29 August 2025.

"Advocacy and expert Evidence" (presenting with Liam Kelly SC and Monica Chong Wan Yee of KordaMentha), International Arbitration Conference, Singapore, July 2025.

Chairing CPD Seminar "Public Inquiries – Emerging (and recurring) Issues" (with Kate Eastman AM SC, Peggy Dwyer SC and Matt Robinson), NSW Bar Association's Inquest and Inquiries Committee, March 2025.

Paper for the Tax Institute's 13th Annual Tax Forum on unlawful phoenix activity and its regulation, May 2021.

"The interplay between civil aviation regulation and workplace health and safety laws", Norton White's Annual Aviation Law Conference, 2019

"White Collars, Dirty Cuffs – the BBSW Cases and Rate Rigging", Sydney University's Law and Business Downtown Series (Chaired by Justice Wigney), September 2018.

"The Regulation of Algorithmic and High Frequency Trading – Lessons from Afar" (presenting with ASIC Commissioner, Cathie Armour) Sydney University Law School Conference.

"Working with Silks" (with Ian Lloyd KC, Kate Eastman SC and Richard Ponetllo SC, chaired by Nicholas Bentley), NSW Bar Association New Barristers Committee

"Comparative Approaches to Market Regulation in South-East Asia", Developments in Corporate Governance – East meets West Conference, convened by Vanderbilt University, National Taiwan University and Seoul National University Governance, July 2014.

"Market Manipulation, the High Court and the Return to Orthodoxy", Australian Securities and Investments Commission/Sydney University Law School Conference, February 2014.

"The Taming of the Shrewd – Emerging Issues in Market Regulation", Ross Parsons Corporate Law Seminar, University of Sydney, November 2012.

"Recent Developments in the Regulation of Market Manipulation and Insider Trading" in R Austin and I von Kowalski, *New Trends in Sharemarket Regulation*, Sydney 2011.

"The GFC and the Regulation of Market Misconduct", Supreme Court of New South Wales Annual Corporate Law Conference, August 2011.

Presented multiple seminars for each of ASIC, the Australian Taxation Office and the Australian Federal Police between 2012 and 2025.

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