

Curriculum Vitae

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- Graduated (LLB) – The University of Queensland – 1960
- Partner – Conwell & Co Solicitors – 1960-1965
- Admitted to Queensland Bar – 1965
- Appointed Queen’s Counsel – 1978
- Admitted to the Bars of the Republic of Ireland and Papua New Guinea
- Appointed Justice of the High Court of Australia – 1998-2007 (retired)
- Honorary Life Member of the Australian Bar Association
- Honorary Life Member of the Queensland Bar Association
- Honorary Life Member of the New South Wales Bar Association
- Adjunct Professor of Law, Queensland – 2008-current
- Honorary Doctorate of Laws, University of Queensland – 2010
- Honorary Doctorate of Laws, James Cook University – 2012
- Grade 1 Arbitrator with the Resolution Institute
- President – National Rugby League Appeals Committee
- President – Rugby League World Cup – Anti-Doping Tribunal
- Civil Society 20 Steering Committee (Prime Minister’s Representative)
- International Court of Justice Judge ad hoc – 2014-2015
- Appointed Companion of the Order of Australia
- Chair – Commonwealth Bank Storm Resolution Scheme – 2011-2012
- Chair – Commonwealth Bank Dispute Resolution Panel (Open Advice Review Program) – 2014-current
- President – Samuel Griffith Society – 2009-current

Extensive practice in commercial and other matters throughout Australia, in the Supreme Courts of Queensland, New South Wales, Canberra, South Australia, Western Australia, the Northern Territory, the Federal Court of Australia and Papua New Guinea.

Expert witness on Australian law in non-Australian jurisdictions and in international arbitrations.

Several appearances before the Privy Council.

Appeals (and other matters) before the High Court in constitutional, revenue, criminal, commercial, planning, banking, compensation, damages and other matters.

Practice extended to most fields including equity, commercial law, banking, finance, tax law, mining,

energy, construction, contracts, torts, defamation, trade practices, mediation and arbitration.
Retained as Senior Counsel for leading media companies, banks and commodity producers.

Appeared in several Royal Commissions W.A. Inc., the Withers Commission, the Fitzgerald Inquiry, and other inquiries, including by the NCSC and ASIC.

- President of the Queensland Bar Association – 1984-1986
 - President of the Australian Bar Association – 1986
 - Councillor Incorporated Council of Law Reporting– 1989-1995
 - Chairman, Bar Board of Queensland – 1986
 - Inaugural Visiting Professor of Law – Newcastle University
 - Completed advanced mediator’s course conducted by the Queensland Bar – 1990
 - Conduct of the Equine Influenza Inquiry – 1997-1998
 - Review of the Crime and Misconduct Act of Queensland (with Professor Aroney) – 2012-2013
 - Review of the Victorian Parole System – 2013
 - Appointed by the New Zealand government to review the David Bain case – 2015
 - *Public Interest Advocate, Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979 (Cth) – 2015*
 - Review of Liquor Laws: New South Wales – February 2016-September 2016
 - Review of Federal Administrative Appeals Tribunal – 2018
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Arbitrator and Mediator –

- Qualified mediator (Qld Bar Course 1990)
- Regularly engaged to make expert determinations and evaluations and as mediator and arbitrator (international and national) in an extensive range of commercial, energy, mining, construction, regulatory, IT and other disputes; expert witness in international arbitrations – 2007-current

Director –

- Queensland Coal Resources Ltd – 1989-1997 (major public company)
- Santos Ltd – 1996-1998 (major public company)
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation – 1996-1997

Chair –

- Totalisator Administration Board of Queensland – 1985-1990 (major State-owned enterprise)
- Brisbane Community Arts Centre – 1973-1979
- Brisbane Civic Art Gallery – 1993-1994
- Art Gallery of Queensland – 1997-1998
- Australian Defence Force Academy – 1999-2007
- Innocence Project – Griffith University

Trustee or Director –

- Art Gallery of Queensland – 1987-1990
- Australian National Gallery – 2007-2010
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation – 1996-1997

Charities –

- Chair – Silver Lining Foundation
- Fryer Library – University of Queensland

Publications – Numerous short stories, publications, speeches and presentations on various legal topics, public affairs, art and literature.

Novels –

- The Lawyer and the Libertine
- The Coroner's Conscience
- The Missing Masterpiece
- Appointment at Amalfi
- After the Monsoon
- The Russian Master
- Betrayals
- Dislocation
- The Only Case
- Belvedere Woman

Plays –

- Brazilian Blue
- The Cellophane Ceiling
- The Acquisition
- A Hero's Funeral
- The Old School Tie