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Admitted to the legal profession

2011

Admitted as a barrister in NSW

2021

Also entitled to practise in

All Australian jurisdictions (Commonwealth, State and Territory)

Liam has experience across commercial, common law, taxation and criminal matters.

Prior to coming to the Bar, he was a Senior Associate at Arnold Bloch Leibler where he represented and advised companies and individuals across commercial disputes, white collar criminal matters, and internal investigations.

Before joining Arnold Bloch Leibler, Liam was a Senior Federal Prosecutor at the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions. In this role, Liam prosecuted tax, social security and financial services offences, as well as having experience in offences concerning voting and political donations. Liam also worked as a solicitor at Herbert Smith Freehills.

Liam is regularly briefed in a range of commercial disputes whilst also maintaining a broad practice that includes common law, taxation, corporate, environment and planning, and criminal matters (with a particular focus on white collar offences). He has appeared in the Local, District and Supreme Courts of NSW, the Federal Court, and the ACT Supreme Court.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019 – 2021: Senior Associate at Arnold Bloch Leibler

2016 – 2019: Federal Prosecutor and Senior Federal Prosecutor at the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

2012 – 2017: Casual Academic at Macquarie University

2013 – 2015 and **2011 – 2012:** Graduate and Solicitor at Herbert Smith Freehills

2012 – 2013: Associate to her Honour Judge Flannery SC in the District Court of New South Wales

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

New South Wales Bar Association

2017 – 2018: Member of the Criminal Law Committee of the Law Society of New South Wales

2016 – 2018: Chair of the Criminal Law Committee of New South Wales Young Lawyers

2016: Conferred life membership to the Macquarie University Law Society

AWARDS OR PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

2018: Recipient of two Law Week Awards from the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

2017: Recipient of a Law Week Award from the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions

PUBLICATIONS

‘Tougher laws and more resources signal a new era in ASIC enforcement’ (2019) 55 (May) *Law Society of NSW Journal* 84

SELECTED CASES

As a solicitor

- **Application of the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Evidence on Commission Act 1995 (NSW)** (No 2) [2020] NSWSC 1500 – acted for the defendant in the overseas proceedings – application to obtain evidence for proceedings in the United States of America
- **Timothy William Cheng and Ors v Triple Crown Bloodstock Pty Ltd** (NSW District Court, 2020) – acted for the defendant – breach of contract – misleading or deceptive conduct – fiduciary duties – obligations of financial services licensees
- **Winter v MACH Australia Holdings Pty Ltd** (Federal Court, 2019) – acted for the plaintiff – breach of contract – adverse action
- **R v Nadim Derbasi** [2018] NSWDC 79 – appeared as Crown – sentence – disputed facts hearing – tax fraud
- **R v Yasuaki Chan** (NSW District Court, 2018) – appeared as Crown – sentence – tax fraud
- **R v Brenda Pryor** (NSW District Court, 2016) – appeared as Crown – sentence – forged documents to obtain Centrelink benefits
- **AFP v Salim Mehajer** [2018] NSWLC 11 – instructed on behalf of the prosecution – sentence following hearing – electoral fraud
- **AFP v Fatima Mehajer** [2018] NSWLC 12 – instructed on behalf of the prosecution – sentence following guilty plea – electoral fraud
- **AFP v Salim Mehajer** (NSW Local Court, 2017-2018) – instructed on behalf of the prosecution – hearing – electoral fraud

- **Hardcastle v Santos Ltd and Anor** (NSW District Court, 2015) – acted for the defendants – misleading or deceptive conduct – strike out application
- **Environment Protection Authority v Hunter Valley Coal Pty Ltd** [2015] NSWLEC 120 – acted for the defendant – sentence following guilty plea – air pollution
- **Inquests into the deaths of Josefa Rauluni, Ahmed Al-Akabi and David Saunders** (NSW Coroners Court, 2011) – acted for health care contractor – deaths in custody

PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

COMMERCIAL LAW

Appellate	Class Actions	Professional Liability
Arbitration	Competition and Consumer	Real Property
Banking and Financial Services	Contracts	Restraint of trade
Bankruptcy and Insolvency	Corporations and Securities	Shareholder class actions
Building, Construction and Technology	Environment and Planning	Superannuation

INDUSTRIAL / EMPLOYMENT

Disciplinary proceedings	Health Law	Work Health and Safety prosecutions
Government Inquiries	Restraint of trade	

CRIMINAL LAW

Appellate	Proceeds of crime	Work Health and Safety
Fraud	White collar and corporate crime	

INQUESTS AND INQUIRIES

Commissions of inquiry	Coronial inquests
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PUBLIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE LAW

Appellate	Health Law	Judicial Review and Administrative law
Constitutional Law	Proceeds of crime	Merits review
Disciplinary proceedings	Public law	

TAXATION AND REVENUE

Appellate	Goods and Services tax	Income tax
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COMMON LAW

Appellate

Medical negligence

Professional liability

EQUITY

Property

Wills and Estates

SECTORS

Banks & financial institutions

Government

Real Estate

Funds

Healthcare