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Admissions

- 2023 **Called to NSW Bar**
- 2018 **Solicitor of High Court of Australia**
- 2017 **Solicitor of NSW Supreme Court**

Education

- 2016 **Bachelor of Laws (Hons 1)**, University of Technology Sydney
 - **Awards:** First Class Honours; first overall in the 14 core law subjects; first in Insurance Law; first in Deceptive Trade Practices; rank 3/101 in graduating cohort
 - **Activities:** Various mooting awards and prizes (incl. ALSA, Gibbs, Oxford International Intellectual Property Moot); Advocacy Mentoring Program; law tutor
- 2012 **Bachelor of Music (Classical Performance)**, Conservatorium of Music Sydney

Practice areas

I accept briefs in all areas of the law, with a focus on the following practice areas:

- Insurance & Reinsurance (incl. coverage and dual insurance disputes)
- Professional Negligence
- Common Law (incl. Personal Injury, Intentional Torts, and Products Liability)
- Consumer Protection & Trade Practices
- Building & Construction
- Regulatory Prosecutions
- Contracts & Commercial Transactions
- Real Property
- Corporations Law

Recent experience

Led appearances

- **Med2 Pty Ltd v Ates and Ates [2024] NSWDC 176** (motion) – led by G Sirtes SC – Anshun estoppel - abuse of process – amendment to pleadings – security for costs

- *Thynne v Sheringham* [2023] NSWCA 181 (appeal) – led by S Shepherd - memorandum of wishes – caveatable interest – nature of trust arising at testator’s death
- *Scaff v Scaff* [2023] NSWSC 1582 (trial) – led by D Knoll AM – proprietary estoppel – residential property
- **Inquest into the death of FG (coronial)** – led by H Chiu as counsel assisting

Unled appearances

- *Cavar v Campbelltown Catholic Club Limited* [2024] NSWCA 126 (appeal) – leave to appeal from summary dismissal and strike out orders
- *Ass’ad v Nasra* [2024] NSWDC 100 (trial) – false imprisonment, assault, and battery
- *Ass’ad v Nasra* [2024] NSWDC 167 (motion) – application for costs
- *Cavar v Campbelltown Catholic Club Limited (No 2)* [2023] NSWSC 1272 (motion) – summary dismissal and strike out
- *V&V Landscapers Pty Ltd v Triguboff Travers* [2024] NSWCATCD (hearing; unreported) – debt and quantum meruit - building defects
- *R v SAJ* [2024] LCNSW (hearing; unreported) – appeared for the accused – possession of prohibited firearm - breach of firearm prohibition order - possession of prohibited drug – all charges dismissed
- Numerous unreported decisions including motions and hearings in the NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal, Local Court of NSW, and District Court of NSW.

Professional experience

2023	Barrister, Ninth Floor Selborne Chambers
2020- 2023	Associate / Senior Associate, Barry Nilsson Lawyers Litigator experienced with disputes relating to insurance coverage, public and products liability, construction and property damage, commercial transactions, and professional indemnity
2020- 2023	Casual Academic, University of Technology Sydney Subject tutor and marker for Corporate Law, and Personal Injury
2019	Associate to Judge Weber SC, District Court of NSW Civil & Criminal jurisdictions
2017- 2019	Solicitor, Ashurst Lawyer in the Competition & Consumer team
2015- 2016	Summer clerk, Ashurst

Recent experience as a solicitor

Daily conduct of ~50 files. Recent experience includes:

Insurance coverage disputes

- Acting for an insurer in relation to claims arising from an allegedly defective agricultural paint product
- Acting for an insurer in a dispute with an occupier arising from a catastrophic injury
- Defending a dual insurance claim arising from widespread building defects at a residential apartment complex
- Acting for a first-party insurer in relation to widespread damage to x2 wind turbine generators
- Acting for an insurer in relation to an allegedly defective industrial coating product
- Acting for insurers in an indemnity dispute following the death of a worker at a large construction site

Professional indemnity / building and construction

- Acting for a mechanical engineer in relation to professional negligence claims in connection with a hospital
- Acting for various builders in relation to defective work and property damage claims
- Acting for a property valuer in relation to contract and misrepresentation claims brought by a non-bank lender
- Acting for a building certifier in relation to claims arising from allegedly defective cladding at a residential complex

Personal injury and intentional tort

- Acting in relation to civil claims arising from historical sexual abuse in Catholic institutions, State care, and surf and sporting clubs
- Acting in relation to claims involving catastrophic injuries
- Acting in relation to general public liability claims
- Acting in statutory recovery proceedings under s 151Z *Workers Compensation Act 1987* (NSW)

Product liability

- Acting for a frozen food supplier in relation to a salmonella outbreak resulting in widespread consumer claims
- Acting for various electronic goods distributors in relation to fires caused by allegedly defective goods

Regulatory

- Defending SafeWork NSW criminal proceedings arising from a structural collapse at a residential site
- Defending SafeWork NSW criminal proceedings arising from a serious workplace injury