

# Anne Hemmings

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## Curriculum Vitae

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### Areas of Practice

Anne has practised in the area of environmental, planning and local government law since 1996.

Since being called to the Bar in 2011, Anne has been a barrister at Martin Place Chambers. Anne's practice has focused on environmental, planning, local government and land valuation and acquisition matters in the Land and Environment Court and Court of Appeal and s88K matters in the Supreme Court. She has appeared and advised in a broad range of matters in the Land and Environment Court for land owners, private developers, councils, acquiring authorities and the Minister.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Anne practised for 14 years as a solicitor in law firms and practice groups specialising in the areas of local government, environment and planning law. She advised and represented numerous local councils and developers (corporate and individual) with respect to a broad range of matters involving local government, environment and planning law, both litigious and non-litigious matters.

Anne has worked on secondment as an in-house solicitor at Leichhardt Council and for a number of years acted for short periods in the role of Principal Solicitor for Marrickville Council in the absence of the appointed Principal Solicitor.

Prior to admission as a solicitor, Anne was the Tipstaff to the Honourable Mr Justice Bannon of the Land and Environment Court of NSW.

Anne has extensive specialist experience in the following areas:

- Planning and development – development application appeals, major projects and state significant development
- Tree disputes – *Trees (Disputes Between Neighbours) Act*
- Land valuation and compulsory acquisition – Class 3 Land and Environment Court
- Civil enforcement proceedings – Class 4 Land and Environment Court
- Judicial review proceedings – Class 4 Land and Environment Court
- Criminal prosecutions – Local Court and Land and Environment Court
- Mining appeals – Class 8 Land and Environment Court
- Easements – s88K and s40 applications
- Developer contributions and Planning Agreements
- Appeals against orders issued under the EPA Act
- Local Government
- Heritage protection
- Aboriginal heritage protection

## Admission details

1997 Solicitor

2011 Barrister

## Tertiary Qualifications

2003 **Master of Laws- University of Sydney**

1997 **Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice - College of Law**

1996 **Diploma of Law - Legal Practitioners Admission Board**

1990 **Bachelor of Applied Science – University of Sydney**

## Legal Experience

May 2011- to date **Barrister**  
Martin Place Chambers

2000 – April 2011 **Special Counsel (2007) Senior Associate (2001) Solicitor (2000)**  
Corrs Chambers Westgarth Lawyers  
Practice area – Local government, environment and planning

2002 (10 months) **In-house Solicitor**  
Secondment to Leichhardt Council

1998 - 2000 **Solicitor**  
Pike, Pike and Fenwick Lawyers (now Pikes & Verekers Lawyers)  
Practice area – Local government, environment and planning

1996 - 1998 **Solicitor (1997) Paralegal (1996)**  
Phillips Fox Lawyers (now DLA Phillips Fox)  
Practice area – Local government, environment and planning

1995 - 1996 **Tipstaff to the Honourable Mr Justice Bannon**  
Land and Environment Court of NSW

## Academic Achievements

1998 **The Alan Ayling Memorial Prize - University of Sydney**  
Awarded for excellence in environmental planning law for Master of Laws

## Committee Appointments and Memberships

- NSW Bar Association 2011
- Executive Committee Member - Environment & Planning Law Association of NSW (EPLA)
- Women Lawyers Association of NSW

## Other Appointments

- Editor, Environmental Law News - 2012 to present
- Member of the Board of Governors – Wenona School Ltd

## Professional Recognition

- Doyle's Guide – Leading Planning and Environment Barristers 2015 – Recommended Junior Counsel
- Doyle's Guide – Leading Planning and Environment Barristers 2016 – Pre Eminent Junior Counsel

## Websites

- [www.mpchambers.net.au](http://www.mpchambers.net.au)
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