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I am a barrister at Martin Place Chambers, specialising in planning and environmental law and adjacent areas of practice. I am currently reading with Janet McKelvey (Martin Place Chambers) and Ryan May (Banco Chambers), having completed the Bar Practice Course in May 2024.

I was called to the Bar in 2024 after working as a solicitor in private practice at Johnson Winter Slattery for 6 years, as an Associate (Feb 18 – Jul 21) and Senior Associate (Jul 21 to May 24). I was admitted to practice in 2017 and worked that year as tipstaff to the Hon Justice Campbell in the Common Law Division of the NSW Supreme Court.

I attended Sydney Grammar School, where I was Senior Prefect (School Captain) in 2010 and attained an ATAR of 99.85. I graduated from the University of Sydney with a Bachelor of Arts, majoring in Latin, and a Bachelor of Laws. As a student I worked in various legal roles including in the Family Court of Australia and the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.

Professional recognition

- Doyle's Guide (2020), Rising Star in litigation and dispute resolution.
- Australasian Lawyer (2022), finalist for Young Private Practice Lawyer of the Year at the Australasian Law Awards.
- Lawyers Weekly (2022), finalist in the 30 Under 30 Awards, planning and environment law category.
- Best Lawyers (2022, 2023, 2024), listed in Ones to Watch, planning and environmental law.

Academic record

- Recipient of Peteris Ginters prize for 1st place in Ethics in the NSW Bar Exam (February 2024).
- University of Sydney: Entry Scholarship, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (2011); F.K. Barton Scholarship, Classical Languages Teachers' Association (2011); The Salting Exhibition, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (2011); Nicholson Scholarship No: 1A for Latin (2011); Nicholson Scholarship No: IV for Latin III (2013); Cooper Scholarship No: IV in Classics (2013).
- Sydney Grammar School: Premier's Award for All-round Excellence (2010); Old Sydneians' Union Scholarship for All-round achievement (2010); Australian Student Prize for academic excellence in secondary education (2010); Certificate of Outstanding Achievement, awarded by the Classical Languages Teachers' Association for top ten state ranking in Latin Extension (2010).

Overview of experience as barrister

Land and Environment Court

- Class 1 development appeals and miscellaneous appeals
 - *Australian Muslim Welfare Centre Inc v Campbelltown City Council* [2024] NSWLEC 102 – for Council on an interlocutory application to set aside a Notice to Produce.
 - *McMahon-Ford v The Council of the City of Sydney* [2024] NSWLEC 1748 – for the Applicant in relation to residential development in Rosebery.
 - *ZT Architects Pty Ltd v Campbelltown City Council* – for Council in a residential development appeal for Torrens title subdivision and attached dual occupancy. Reasons reserved.
 - *Hayek v Randwick City Council* [2024] NSWLEC 1631 – for the Applicant (led by N Hammond) in relation to proposed development of four-storey residential flat building in Coogee.
 - *Abata Pty Limited v Kiama Municipal Council* – for Council in an appeal against a development control order.
 - *Feros Hotel Group Pty Limited v Shoalhaven City Council* – for Council (led by N Hammond) in relation to proposed redevelopment of Berry Hotel.
 - *Granny Flat Pioneers Pty Ltd v Liverpool City Council* – for the Applicant in relation to proposed development of centre-based childcare facility in Casula.
 - *Hou v Hornsby Shire Council* – for the Applicant to related DCO and BIC appeal proceedings in relation to residential extension works in Westleigh.
 - *Ji Family Holdings Pty Ltd v Randwick City Council* – for the Applicant in relation to proposed subdivision by boundary adjustment of residential land in Kingsford.
 - *Buttai Gravel Pty Ltd v Independent Planning Commission* – for Maitland City Council (led by T To) in proceedings in respect of the IPC's refusal of an SSDA for the expansion of Martins Creek Quarry.

- *Realta Enterprises Pty Ltd v Wollongong City Council* – for the Applicant in relation to proposed development of child care centre in Russell Vale.
 - *Sterling Property Group Pty Limited v Newcastle City Council* – for the Applicant in relation to proposed strata subdivision and multi-dwelling housing development.
 - *Volfneuk v Blacktown City Council* – for the Applicant in relation to development of two 6-storey residential flat buildings in Mount Druitt. Reasons reserved.
- Class 2 tree disputes
 - *Kent v Aquilina* – for the Respondent to an application under Part 2 in respect of alleged property damage/risk of personal injury. Decision reserved.
 - *Beswick v Sandig* [2024] NSWLEC 1703 – for the Respondent to an application under Part 2A in respect of alleged view obstruction.
 - *Xiao v Yung* – for the Applicant to an application under Part 2 in respect of alleged property damage/risk of personal injury.
- Class 3 valuation and compensation matters
 - *Chen Shan Legal Group Pty Ltd; Chen Family Superannuation Fund Custodian Pty Ltd v Sydney Metro* – for the Applicants (led by A Pickles SC) in respect of the compulsory acquisition of freehold/leasehold interests at 37 Bligh Street for the Sydney Metro West Project.
 - *Malouf and LTIRM Pty Ltd v Valuer-General of NSW* [2024] NSWLEC 1691 and *LTIRM Pty Ltd v Valuer-General of NSW* [2024] NSWLEC 1692 – for the Applicants in valuation objection proceedings in respect of residential land in Iluka Road, Palm Beach.
 - *Gill & Ors; Beningna Pty Ltd v Liverpool City Council* – for Council on an interlocutory application for joinder of former registered proprietor to compulsory acquisition proceedings brought by former mortgagees. Reasons reserved.
- Class 4 civil enforcement matters
 - *Tweed Shire Council v MFJ Family Investments Pty Ltd and Jones* – for the Respondents to proceedings relating to unlawful development of rural premises.
 - *Gaiety v Loaders & Ors* – for a Respondent principal certifying authority to proceedings relating to alleged defective residential building work.
 - *Hardy v Wheeler and Wingecarribee Shire Council* – for individual Respondents to proceedings relating to overland flow/stormwater damage to residential property.

Local, District and Supreme Court

- *Waverley Council v The Core Group Pty Ltd* – for the Defendant on sentence in Waverley Local Court for planning offences under the EP&A Act.

- *Moschella and Sitehope Pty Ltd v Dagger & Anor* – for the Plaintiffs (led by C Ireland) in Supreme Court proceedings (transferred from the District Court) in relation to the certification of development of bush fire prone land in Roseville.

NSW Civil and Administrative Tribunal

- *Streater v Tamworth Regional Council* [2024] NSWCATAD 195 – for Council in GIPA Act review proceedings relating to (among other things) risk of harm, intimidation and harassment by disclosure of government information.
- *Fox v Yass Valley Council* – for Council in GIPA Act review proceedings relating to disclosure of personal information. Decision reserved.
- *Totterman v Richmond Valley Council* – for Council in GIPA Act review proceedings.

Overview of experience as solicitor at JWS

I worked as a solicitor in private practice at Johnson Winter Slattery for 6 years, as an Associate (Feb 18 – Jul 21) and Senior Associate (Jul 21 to May 24). I represented corporate clients in environmental and planning matters, in particular mining and energy companies. I also gained significant experience in commercial litigation.

Land and Environment Court

- Class 1 development appeals
 - *TPG Telecom Limited v Inner West Council* [2023] NSWLEC 1778 – for the Applicant in relation to development of mobile phone base station within Manning Street electricity substation in Rozelle. Instructed A Hemmings.
 - *Fitzpatrick Investments Pty Ltd v Penrith City Council* – as solicitor advocate for the Applicant in relation to development of industrial warehouse complex in Erskine Park.
- Class 3 valuation and compensation matters
 - *Visser v Department of Customer Service* [2021] NSWLEC 88 – as solicitor advocate on behalf of Tahmoor Coal Pty Ltd on interlocutory application for joinder to proceedings under the *Coal Mine Subsidence Compensation Act 2017*.
 - *Tahmoor Coal Pty Ltd v Visser* [2022] NSWCA 35 – for the Appellant in respect of appeal against refusal of application for joinder. Instructed R Lancaster SC and N Eastman.
 - *Mangoola Coal Operations Pty Ltd v Valuer-General of NSW* – for the Applicant in valuation objection proceedings concerning the valuation of Mangoola Mine. Instructed J Taylor.

- Class 5 summary prosecution proceedings
 - *EPA v Grafil Pty Ltd; EPA v Mackenzie (No 4)* [2021] NSWLEC 123 – for the Defendants on sentence for offences of using land as a waste facility without lawful authority. Instructed T Howard SC and C Ireland.
 - *EPA v GrainCorp Operations Limited* [2019] NSWLEC 143 – for the Defendant on sentence for breach of an EPL regulating operations in Port Kembla. Instructed T Howard SC.

Supreme Court (including the Court of Appeal and Court of Criminal Appeal)

- *Mangoola Coal Operations Pty Ltd v Muswellbrook Shire Council* [2023] NSWSC 262 – for the Plaintiff in common law restitution proceedings and related Class 4 Land and Environment Court proceedings seeking the recovery of overpaid rates. Instructed A Galasso SC and C Ireland.
- *Mangoola Coal Operations Pty Ltd v Muswellbrook Shire Council* [2023] NSWCA 275 – for the Appellant to proceedings seeking the recovery of overpaid rates. Instructed M Izzo SC and J Wherrett.
- *EPA v Grafil Pty Ltd; EPA v Mackenzie* [2019] NSWCCA 174 – for the Respondents in stated case proceedings under s 5AE of the *Criminal Appeal Act 1912* relating to the interpretation of “waste” under the POEO Act. Instructed C Ireland.
- *EPA v Grafil Pty Ltd; EPA v Mackenzie* [2022] NSWCCA 268 – for the Respondents to an EPA sentence appeal for offences of using land as a waste facility without lawful authority. Instructed T Howard SC and C Ireland.
- *R v Dugas; Read; Linke; Casamento; Counihan and Jacobs Group* – for an individual Defendant to a CDPP prosecution alleging conspiracy to bribe public foreign officials, both at committal in the Local Court and post-committal in the Supreme Court. Instructed H Dhanji SC and E Sullivan.
- *Investment Opportunities II Pte. Limited v WICET Holdings Pty Limited & Anor* – for WICET Holdings (the operator of the Wiggins Island Coal Export Terminal in Gladstone) in a shareholder dispute. Instructed R Higgins SC, S Lawrance and R Yezerski.
- *Obela Fresh Dips and Spreads Pty Limited v Coetzee* – for the Plaintiff in asset recovery proceedings in the Supreme Court of NSW and Supreme Court of Victoria concerning the misappropriation of funds by a former CFO. Involved instructing foreign counsel in Spain and South Africa to trace overseas assets and seek sequestration orders.
- *Rallen Australia Pty Ltd v Santos QNT Pty Ltd* – for the Defendant in proceedings in the NT Supreme Court for alleged misleading and deceptive conduct in respect of a land access and compensation agreement. Instructed J Horton KC, H Baddeley and P Nevard.
- *In the matter of Arrium Limited* – for the former Assistant Treasurer in liquidator examinations relating to the collapse of the Arrium Group. Instructed G O’Mahoney.
- *Donnelly v Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council* [2020] NSWSC 1548 – for the Plaintiff (pro bono) defending an application for summary dismissal of proceedings seeking equitable compensation for improvements to leasehold land. Instructed P Batley.

- *Donnelly v Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council* [2021] NSWSC 1699 – for the Plaintiff (pro bono) seeking equitable compensation for improvements to leasehold land. Instructed P Batley.

Other

- *Inquest into the death of Bradley Hope* – for Unilever in a coronial inquest in Byron Bay into the death of a juvenile from “chroming” of Rexona deodorant. Instructed G Huxley.
- *T-S Capital Partners LLC v Paltar Petroleum Limited (administrators appointed)* [2019] FCA 635 and [2019] FCA 636 – for the Plaintiff in winding-up proceedings in the Federal Court. Instructed F Assaf SC and J Simpkins.
- *CDPP v Pover; McGhie; Rentokil Pty Ltd* – for Rentokil in a CDPP prosecution alleging breaches of the *Biosecurity Act 2015* in connection with the fumigation of imported goods. Instructed T Howard SC and S Keating.

CV current as at 8 December 2024.