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ADMISSIONS

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Admitted to practise: 30 November 1992

Signed the Bar Roll: 21 May 2009

QUALIFICATIONS

LL.B.; BEc, University of Adelaide

Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, SAIT

AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Banking and Finance
- Building and Construction
- Commercial Law
- Inquests
- Insurance

- Licensing and Disciplinary Tribunals
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Professional Negligence
- Property Law
- Trade Practices

CAREER PROFILE

Alex commenced her practice in Victoria at Mallesons Stephens Jacques (now King Wood Mallesons) working on the State of Victoria's claim against the auditors of Tricontinental and the SBV. From there she worked at a number of firms, including Deacons (now Norton Rose Fulbright) with increasing focus on professional liability and insurance claims (particularly construction). Alex practises in the commercial sphere with particular interest in professional negligence, liability, environmental and building claims. She was seconded to a financial institution and undertook asset recovery work for that institution. She is experienced in all forms of ADR, particularly mediation. Alex is the Victorian editor of the Insurance Law Bulletin, a past president of the Victorian chapter of the Australian Professional Indemnity Group and a former National Committee member.



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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Experience at the Victorian Bar:

Alex does appearance and advice work in all courts and at VCAT predominantly concerning contractual disputes, professional negligence claims, liability insurance (including product liability) claims, construction disputes and disciplinary hearings.

Appearances include:

Federal Court Of Australia

Asahi v PEP and Ors (with G McArthur QC and M Collins QC for AIG as warranty and indemnity insurer)

Victorian Court Of Appeal

- Gippsreal v Symonds (appeal re personal costs orders).
- Dometic v Bach (with P Collinson SC) director's duties and entitlements;

Victorian Supreme Court

- Colin Campbell Chemicals v QBE & Ors (indemnity dispute, including appeal on waiver of privilege, with M Loughnan QC).
- Ambridge investments v TressCox & Anor (with C Scerri QC) (professional negligence claim, settled).
- Jackson v Bruty (bushfire class action with P Murdoch QC, ongoing).
- McConnell Dowell v Santam & Ors (insurance dispute with T Margetts QC, ongoing).
- Gippsreal v Symonds (successful defence of personal costs orders).
- Re Manlio (successful defence of personal costs orders).
- Barooga Nurseries ats Toolamba and Ors (with P Murdoch QC) (Product liability)
- Grocon Constructors v Planit Conciardi (with M Robins SC) claim under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payments Act;
- Girotto v Philips Fox (with M Clarke) solicitor's professional negligence;
- Butler v JSL Racing (with M Robins SC) horse racing dispute;

NSW Supreme Court (Commercial List)

• ADL v Andial (with M Loughnan SC) mining and loan dispute;

WA Supreme Court

Allstate v Blake Dawson (with C Macaulay SC as his Honour then was) solicitor's professional negligence;

Victorian County Court

- Thomson v ASCC (indemnity dispute on personal injury claim).
- Rombotis v Kenny (successful defence professional negligence claim).
- Nader v Valasinivius (commercial loan dispute).
- Barooga Nurseries ats Toolamba and Ors (with P Murdoch QC) (Product liability)
- Cohen v Westbury Holdings (with M Thompson SC) product liability;

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Victorian Magistrate's Court

• Mc Nair v Linfox (with P Priest QC as his Honour then was) guilty plea on OHS prosecution.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Senior Consultant - Moray & Agnew, Melbourne, Victoria

Professional Indemnity Insurance *July 2006 – February 2009*

Senior Associate - Herbert Geer & Rundle, Melbourne, Victoria

Professional Indemnity Insurance April 2004 – June 2006

Senior Associate - Sparke Helmore, Melbourne, Victoria

Construction and Engineering Insurance February 1998 – March 2004

Senior Associate (from January 1995) - Deacons, Melbourne, Victoria (Now Norton Rose Fulbright)

Commercial Litigation practising in Professional Indemnity Insurance, Banking, Intellectual Property and Trade Practices. Two month secondment to ANZ Asset Management.

January 1994 - February 1998

Solicitor - Mallesons Stephens Jaques, Melbourne, Victoria (Now King Wood & Mallesons)

Engaged full time on the proceedings against the auditors of Tricontinental and the State Bank of Victoria and Tricontinental.

August 1992 - December 1993

Associate - Ross & McCarthy (now Fox Tucker), Adelaide, South Australia

General commercial and personal injury litigation January 1989 – July 1992

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Victorian Editor Insurance Law Bulletin (2012)
- Former Co- monitor CommBar Professional Liability and Insurance Section
- Australian Professional Indemnity Group (President Victorian chapter September 2007 2009, continuing committee member)
- Australian Insurance Law Association
- Women in Insurance Association
- National Committee member Australian Professional Indemnity Group (2007 2009)

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