

The Hon Robert McDougall KC

Robert practised as a solicitor from 1972 to 1974, and commenced practice at the Bar in 1975. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1990. His major practice areas at the Bar included insurance law, construction law, equity and commercial law, and trade practices litigation.

Robert was appointed a Judge of the Supreme Court of New South Wales in August 2003. He sat principally in the Commercial, Technology and Construction, and Arbitration Lists, hearing and deciding many major commercial and construction cases.

Robert retired from the Court in January 2019 and returned to private practice as an Arbitrator, Referee, Expert Determiner and Mediator, principally in the areas of commercial and construction law. He is a Fellow of the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration, a Fellow of the Resolution Institute, and holds current appointments as sole or presiding arbitrator in domestic and international arbitrations, including arbitrations conducted under the ACICA and ICC Rules, as a referee, in multi-billion or million dollar disputes in Australia and elsewhere.

Robert holds the position of Adjunct Fellow in the School of Law at the University of Technology, Sydney. He has lectured in equity and commercial law. He has delivered numerous papers on a wide variety of topics, ranging from court architecture and design to expert evidence, at national and international conferences.
