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## C U R R I C U L U M V I T A E

### Qualifications/Appointments

1996 – 2002	Bachelor Arts/ Bachelor Laws (First Class Honours in Law) Australian National University
July 2006	Admitted to practice as Lawyer of the Supreme Court of New South Wales
May 2007	Admitted to practice as a Barrister by the New South Wales Bar Association
Sept 2020	Appointed Senior Counsel for the State of New South Wales
June 2011	Appointed as Reserve Legal Officer, RAAF (current rank: WGCDR)
Feb 2021	Appointed Judge Advocate and Defence Force Magistrate
Security clearance	NV2

### Barrister's Practice

Criminal Law and civil penalty	<p>Criminal trials , sentence hearing and appeals in respect of a range of offences including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• corruption and misconduct in public office;<sup>1</sup></li><li>• murder; <sup>2</sup></li><li>• environmental offences eg water theft, land clearing, mining breaches;<sup>3</sup></li><li>• drug importation offences;<sup>4</sup></li><li>• white collar offences eg fraudulent breach of directors duties<sup>5</sup> and tax fraud;<sup>6</sup></li><li>• terrorism offences;<sup>7</sup></li><li>• foreign bribery;</li><li>• cartel offences;<sup>8</sup></li><li>• work health safety offences;</li><li>• breach of UN sanctions;</li><li>• investigations/prosecutions arising from Banking Royal Commission.<sup>9</sup></li></ul>
Inquests/Inquiries	<p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Junior Counsel Assisting in the Inquest into the Deaths arising from the Lindt Café Siege;</li></ul>

<sup>1</sup> See eg *R v Macdonald*; *R v Edward Obeid*; *R v Moses Obeid* (No 17) [2021] NSWSC 858; *Lee v R* [2020] NSWCCA 307; *Eakin v R* [2020] NSWCCA 294.

<sup>2</sup> See eg *R v Rolfe* [2021] HCA 38.

<sup>3</sup> See eg *Secretary, Department of Planning, Industry and Environment v Auen Grain Pty Ltd; Merrywinebone Pty Ltd; Greentree; Harris (No 2)* [2020] NSWLEC 126; *Secretary, Department of Planning, Industry and Environment v Auen Grain Pty Ltd; Greentree; Merrywinebone Pty Ltd; Harris (No 3)* [2020] NSWLEC 129.

<sup>4</sup> See eg *La Rocca v R* [2021] NSWCCA 116; *ZZ v R* [2019] NSWCCA 286; *Ge v R* [2019] NSWCCA 41; *Ching v R* [2018] NSWCCA 101.

<sup>5</sup> See eg *R v Sigalla* [2017] NSWSC 52; *R v Falconer* [2018] NSWSC 1765.

<sup>6</sup> See eg *R v Agius*; *R v Castagna (No 8)* [2018] NSWSC 2040.

<sup>7</sup> See eg *R v El Matari* [2021] NSWSC 1260; *R v Hraichie (No 1)* [2019] NSWSC 319; *R v Hraichie (No 2)* [2019] NSWSC 765; *R v Hraichie (No 3)* [2019] NSWSC 973.

<sup>8</sup> See eg *Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions v Citigroup Global Markets Australia Pty Limited (No 1 – Indictment)* [2021] FCA 757; *Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions v Citigroup Global Markets Australia Pty Limited (No 5 – Indictment)* [2021] FCA 1345.

<sup>9</sup> See eg *Australian Securities and Investments Commission v Allianz Australia Insurance Limited* [2021] FCA 1062.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Counsel for NSW Department of Housing in the Inquest into the Quakers Hill Nursing Home fire;</li> <li>• ICAC: counsel for various witnesses and government departments in private examinations and public hearings, including most recently appearing for Ms Gladys Berejiklian in Operation Keppel.</li> </ul>
Administrative Law	<p>Including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federal Court challenges to defence force disciplinary convictions;</li> <li>• Supreme Court challenges to parole decisions;</li> </ul>
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• extradition;</li> <li>• proceedings under the <i>Crimes (High Risk Offences) Act</i> and <i>Terrorism (High Risk Offenders) Act</i></li> </ul>
Defence Force hearings	Appearing in and now presiding over Courts Martial and DFM trials for disciplinary offences including sexual assault.

## Positions

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillor, Bar Council (November 2010 to November 2011; November 2012 – November 2018; November 2019 - date);</li> <li>• Chair, New Barristers Committee (June 2011 to June 2013);</li> <li>• Member, Professional Conduct Committee of the Bar Association of New South Wales (2010 to date);</li> <li>• Councillor, New South Wales Council of Law Reporting (2010 to date).</li> </ul>
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## Previous Employment

November 2006 – April 2007	<p><b>New South Wales Crown Solicitor's Office, Sydney</b></p> <p>Solicitor, Criminal Law Group. Main cases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inquest into the death of the Balibo Five (Glebe Coroners Court);</li> <li>• Administrative law challenges to decisions of Parole Authority; and</li> <li>• Application under the Crimes (High Risk Offenders) Act.</li> </ul>
June 2004 – June 2006	<p><b>Federal Court of Australia, Sydney</b></p> <p>Associate to Honourable Justice Jacobson</p>
January – June 2003, January – June 2004	<p><b>Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria</b></p> <p><b>Geneva, Switzerland</b></p> <p>Advisor to Chief of Operations</p>
May 2001 – December 2002, June 1999 – September 2000	<p><b>Australian Government Solicitor, Canberra</b></p> <p>Paralegal, Government Law Group and General Litigation group</p>