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ADMISSIONS

2024 Barrister, New South Wales Bar
2013 Solicitor, High Court of Australia
2012 Solicitor, Supreme Court of New South Wales

EDUCATION

University of Oxford, Oriel College, **Doctor of Philosophy in Law**, 2015-20
Scholarships: Graduate Teaching and Research Scholar (Oriel College); Law Faculty
Scholarships; David Daube Scholarship in Law (Linacre College)

Harvard University, Harvard Law School, **Master of Laws**, 2014-15
Prizes: Dean's Scholar Award in Constitutional Law: Separation of Powers,
Federalism & 14th Amendment

Macquarie University, **Bachelor of Arts-Psychology & Bachelor of Laws** (First Class
Honours), 2006-10
Awards: Dean's Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement in Law; Dean's
Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Macquarie Law Community

EXPERIENCE (LEGAL PRACTICE)

12th Floor Wentworth Selborne Chambers, Sydney, **Barrister**, 2024-

Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP, Sydney, **Of Counsel**, 2017-2024
Rankings: Legal500 *Insurance* ('Rising Star') and *Dispute Resolution: Class Actions*
between 2020-24.

Norton Rose Fulbright, Sydney, **Paralegal**, 2009-11; **Associate**, 2012-14

Supreme Court of NSW, **Tipstaff** to the Hon. Justice Hall, 2011

EXPERIENCE (UNIVERSITY)

University of Sydney, **Adjunct Senior Lecturer**, 2022- (Anti-Corruption Law/Torts and
Contracts II)

University of Oxford, Oriel College, **Graduate Teaching Assistant in Law** (Tutor in
Criminal Law), 2016-18

Harvard Law School, **Research Assistant** (2014) & **Visiting Researcher** (2015)

Macquarie University, **Casual Academic**, 2011-18 & **Research Assistant**, 2009-13

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- N Lennings, *Statistics in the Law of Evidence* (Hart, Oxford, 2024) [book]
- N Lennings, 'Forward, *Gillick*: Are competent children autonomous medical decision makers? New Developments in Australia' (2015) 2 *JLB* 459
- N Lennings and CJ Lennings, 'Assessing serious harm under the doctrine of *doli incapax*: A case study' (2014) 21 *PPL* 791
- N Lennings, 'Children and refusal of medical treatment' (2013) 21 *JLM* 122
- N Lennings, 'Assessing significant probative value for the purposes of admitting coincidence evidence post *DSJ v R*; *NS v R*' (2013) 17 *IJEP* 202 [case note]
- N Lennings, '*Public Service Association of South Australia Inc v Industrial Relations Commission of South Australia* [2012] HCA 25' (2012) 10 *Macquarie LJ* 111 [case note]
- N Lennings, 'Appellate Body Report, Australia – Measures Affecting the Importation of Apples from New Zealand, WTO Doc WT/DS367/AB/R (29 November 2010)' (2011) 18 *AILJ* 241 [case note]
- CJ Lennings, KL Amona, H Brummert and N Lennings, 'Grooming for Terror: The Internet and Young People' (2010) 17 *PPL* 424

OTHER INTERESTS

NSW Bar Association, **New Barristers Committee** (2024-), **Education Committee** (2025-)

Gemmological Association of Australia, **Certificate IV in Gemmological Studies**, 2004-06

Awards: Geoff Tombs Medal (best overall results in Australia); NSW Management Committee Award (best overall results in NSW); Fellow of the GAA (FGAA)

Courses: Certificate in Practical Diamond Grading, 2006

SELECTED CASES (AS COUNSEL)

Commercial

Greensill Bank AG & Anor v Insurance Australia Limited & Ors; Credit Suisse v LAL & Ors; White Oak v LAL & Ors, FCA (led by J Sheahan KC, V Whittaker SC, S Lawrance SC and N Bender SC, amongst others)

In the matter of Homeland Insurance Company of Delaware LLC, NSWSC (unled) – successful application for examination and production of documents under the *Foreign Evidence Act*

Tregaskis-Jago v Zoo Entertainment Pty Ltd (in liq) & Anor, FCA (unled) – online gambling, alleged unconscionable conduct

DC Rd DC Pty Ltd & Ors v Zhang & Ors, FCA (led by D Pritchard SC and J Parrish) – alleged breach of fiduciary duty, tracing (judgment reserved)

Wang & Anor v Cai & Ors (for the second and fourth defendants), NSWSC (led by A Macauley) – alleged breach of fiduciary duty/promotor (judgment reserved)

Sharetea Australia Pty Ltd v Lephan Pty Ltd & Anor, NSWDC (unled) – franchising dispute (security for costs [2025] NSWDC 405)

Bao Ping Chen v Kangping Zhang, NSWSC (unled) – freezing orders, recognition of foreign judgment (settled)

DJS Qualicoaters Pty Ltd v Shafiei & Ors, NSWSC (led by C Bannan) – restraint of trade, taking of confidential information (settled)

Westpac v Jammal & Ors, NSWSC (led by D Hogan-Doran SC and D Krochmalik) – equitable mortgages, subrogation and laches (settled)

Corporations/Insolvency

Bombora Investment Management Pty Ltd & Ors v Ringers Western Limited & Ors, NSWSC (led by M Pesman SC and D Krochmalik) – oppression proceedings

Shoalhaven Coal Pty Ltd v Grid Logistics Pty Ltd, NSWSC (unled) – statutory demand

Australian Securities and Investments Commission v 24-U Pty Ltd [2025] FCA 321 (led by J Shepard SC) – winding up 95 companies on just and equitable grounds

Lin v Chu [2025] FCAFC 130 (led by D Pritchard SC and D Southwood) – trusts, rule in *Said v Butt*

Edgemont v Tyndall Capital & Ors (for Mr and Ms Tyndall), FCA (led by J Giles SC and D Krochmalik) - oppression proceeding (settled)

BGP v Fayed & Fayed, FCA (led by C Mitchell) – bankruptcy (settled)

Park, in the matter of IG Power (Callide) Ltd (Administrators Appointed) (No 3) [2024] FCA 1245 (for Sev.en Global Investments a.s) (led by C Withers SC and M Gvozdenovic)

Class Actions

Riverine Grazier Pty Ltd & Anor v Google LLC & Ors (Google Ad Tech Class Action), FCA (led by T Bannon SC, J Sheahan KC, D Roche SC and T Rogan) – competition class action

Kinsella v Commonwealth of Australia & Anor, NSWSC – institutional child sexual abuse class action

Insurance

Caesarstone Australia Pty Ltd v Steadfast IRS Pty Ltd, NSWSC (unled) – preliminary discovery (settled)

Lowe v Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's of London Subscribing to Policy Number ATCSI00100 [2024] FCA 858 (led by C O'Neill) – construction of insurance policy and costs

Family Law

Pierce & Pierce, FedCFamCA1F (led by N Beaumont SC) - property proceedings (settled)

Sarian & Sarian, FedCFamCA1F (led by G Sirtes SC) - property proceedings (judgment reserved)

Proceeds of Crime

Numerous matters for the NSW Crime Commission (led and unled)

SELECTED CASES (SOLICITOR)

Class Actions

Wyer v IC Markets & Anor (and other proceedings) (for IC Markets), FCA-V – consumer class action (derivatives trading)

Ewok Pty Ltd as trustee for the E & E Magee Superannuation Fund v Wellard Limited [2024] FCA 296 (for Ewok) – securities class action (settled)

Ashita Tomi Pty Ltd as trustee for Esskay Super Fund v RCR Tomlinson Ltd trading as RCR Tomlinson Ltd (No 2) [2024] NSWSC 717 (for Ashita) – securities class action (settled)

Takata Class Actions (7 concurrent class actions, for plaintiffs), NSWSC – product liability class action; common fund orders: [2019] HCA 45; [2019] NSWCA 35; [2019] FCAFC 34 (common fund) | [2021] NSWSC 715 (trial)

Wigmans v AMP Ltd (for Wigmans) – securities class action; competing class actions: [2021] HCA 7; [2019] NSWCA 243; [2019] NSWSC 603 (competing class actions) | [2020] NSWCA 104; [2020] NSWSC 504 (registration notices) | [2018] NSWSC 1045; [2018] NSWSC 1118 (transfer of proceedings/anti-suit injunctions)

Commercial

Greensill Bank AG & Anor v Insurance Australia Limited & Ors; Credit Suisse v LAL & Ors; White Oak v LAL & Ors (for Greensill Bank) – cross border insolvency and associated litigation on insurance contracts in the FCA

Sev.en Gamma a.s. v IG Power (Callide) Pty Ltd (Administrators Appointed) [2024] FCA 30 (for Sev.en) – appointment of special purpose administrator

Correa & The Spanish Club v Whittingham [2013] NSWCA 263 – statutory interpretation and the *Registered Clubs Act*

SK Foods LP v SK Foods Australia P/L (in liq) (No3) [2013] FCA 526 – private international law and *res judicata estoppel*

Medical negligence

Cootte v Dr Kelly [2013] NSWCA 357 – medical negligence

Inquest into the death of Alana Goldsmith (2014)

Inquest into the deaths of Nicholas Waterlow and Chloe Henston (2013)

Inquest into the deaths of James Unicomb, Michael Poole and Grace Yates (2012)