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Professional Qualifications

2010	Appointed Senior Counsel
1996	Called to the New South Wales Bar
1993, 1996	Solicitor, Allen Allen & Hemsley
1994-1995	Associate to Justice M R Wilcox, Federal Court of Australia

Core Practice Areas

Appellate
Commercial Law
Class Actions
Insurance Law
Regulatory Disputes
Payroll Tax

Recent Cases

- *Pallas v Lendlease Ltd* [2024] HCA Trans 76; [2024] NSWCA 83; [2019] NSWSC 1631: Shareholder class action, briefed by Herbert Smith Freehills for the defendant. An appeal to the High Court on a question concerning class closure was heard in November 2024, and the High Court is currently reserved.
- *Zonia v Commonwealth Bank of Australia (No 5)* [2024] FCA 447: Shareholder class action, briefed by Herbert Smith Freehills for the respondent. An appeal to the Full Court was heard in November 2024, and the Full Court is currently reserved.

- *Wigmans v AMP Limited* (2021) 270 CLR 623; (2019) 103 NSWLR 543; (2020) 102 NSWLR 199: Shareholder class action, briefed by Herbert Smith Freehills for the defendant. The High Court considered an appeal by a competing class action applicant in 2020.
- *Hunter v Count Financial Ltd* (2020-2022): Consumer class action, briefed by Clayton Utz for the respondent. The trial was heard in early 2024 before Halley J, and his Honour is currently reserved.
- *Watson v Greenwoods and Herbert Smith Freehills Pty Ltd & anor* [2023] FCAFC 169 (ongoing): Alleged whistleblower claim, briefed by King & Wood Mallesons for the second respondent. A separate question arising under the whistleblower legislation was heard by the Full Court in 2023.
- *ASIC v Noumi* [2024] FCA 349 [2024] FCA 862: Civil penalty proceedings, briefed by Ashurst for the first defendant.
- *Loan Market Group Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue* [2024] NSWSC 390: Challenge to payroll tax assessments, briefed by PWC for the plaintiff.
- *AAFC No 1 Corporation v Tokio Marine* [2025] NSWSC 43: Multiple large insurance claims under trade credit policies, briefed by Kennedys for Tokio Marine.
- *APFC v Tokio Marine* [2024] NSWSC 534; [2024] NSWSC 818: Multiple large insurance claims under trade credit policies, briefed by Kennedys for Tokio Marine.
- *Equity Financial Planners Pty Ltd v AMP Financial Planning Pty Ltd* [2024] FCA 1036: settlement approval of class action, briefed by King & Wood Mallesons for the respondent.
- *Cody Gemtec Retail Pty Ltd v Underwriting Members of Syndicate 2003 at Lloyd's (Declassing Applications)* [2024] FCA 1098: successful applications to declass business interruption insurance class actions, briefed by Allens for Insurance Australia Limited.
- *Perera v GetSwift Ltd* [2021] FCAFC 26: Shareholder class action, briefed by Phi Finney McDonald for the

applicant. An appeal to the Full Court concerned an apprehended bias application.

- *Thomas v Commonwealth Financial Planning Pty Ltd* [2021] 153 ALR 1 (*ongoing*): Consumer class action, briefed by Allens for the respondents.
- *ASIC v Commonwealth Securities Ltd & Anor* [2022] FCA 1253: Civil penalty proceedings, briefed by Clayton Utz for the respondents.
- *Southern Cross Community Healthcare Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue (NSW)* (2021) 113 ATR 601; [2021] NSWSC 1538: Challenge to payroll tax assessments, briefed by Colin Biggers & Paisley for the plaintiff.
- *ASIC v AMP Financial Planning Pty Ltd* [2018] FCA 1708; [2020] 377 ALR 55: Civil penalty proceedings, briefed by Clayton Utz for the defendant.
- *ASIC v Westpac Banking Corporation* [2019] FCA 2147: Civil penalty proceedings, briefed by ASIC for the applicant.
- *GetSwift Ltd; Re GetSwift* (2020) FCA 1733: Scheme of arrangement, briefed by Phi Finney McDonald for the intervenor.
- *UNSW Global Pty Ltd v Chief Commissioner of State Revenue* (2016) 104 ATR 577: Challenge to payroll tax assessments, briefed by Bartier Perry for the plaintiff.