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Areas of Practice

- Appellate
- Commercial Litigation
- Competition
- Intellectual Property
- Trade Practices

Education

University of Sydney – Bachelor of Arts

1993

University of Sydney – Bachelor of Laws (First Class Honours)

1996

University of Sydney - Master of Laws

2002

Experience

Barrister, 5 Wentworth Chambers | May 2006 – Present

- Appointed Senior Counsel on 5 October 2021
- Principal areas of practice: intellectual property, trade practices and general commercial litigation.

Partner, Griffith Hack | March 2002 – March 2006

- Appointed Partner on 1 July 2004
- Worked in intellectual property litigation (principally in the Federal Court of Australia) which included providing advice to and acting for owners, licensees and alleged infringers of patents, trade mark, registered designs and copyright.

Senior Associate, Corrs Chambers Westgarth | September 1998 – February 2002

- Appointed Senior Associate on 1 July 2000
- Worked in general commercial litigation across a wide range of areas of law including contractual disputes, product liability, insolvency, industrial relations and family law property settlement litigation, and which involved proceedings conducted in the Federal Court of Australian, Supreme Courts of NSW and the ACT, Industrial Relations, Commission of NSW Family Court of Australia, Land & Environment Court and the District Court of NSW.

Solicitor, Stuart Fowler & Associates | September 1996 – September 1998

Employed as a Paralegal from November 1995 to September 1996

 Worked in family law litigation, general commercial litigation, probate and conveyancing.

Summer Clerk & Paralegal, Phillips Fox | December 1994 – November 1995

 Worked in commercial litigation, employment law and intellectual property.

Description

Andrew principally practises in intellectual property and commercial litigation, including trade practices. Andrew's intellectual property experience spans the full spectrum in that field, including patents, trade marks, copyright, designs, confidential information and consumer protection. He has appeared in a number of leading cases (including in the High Court) and appears regularly in the Federal Court of Australia and in patent and trade mark oppositions held at IP Australia.

Andrew's patent experience traverses a wide range of technology fields, including mining, mechanical, chemical, pharmaceutical and telecommunications. He also has considerable experience in general commercial litigation, having appeared in proceedings before the Supreme Court of NSW, the District Court of NSW and in interstate Courts.

Andrew is recognised in Chambers and Partners Asia Pacific as a leading barrister in intellectual property (2021 – Band 1); Doyle's Guide to Australian Leading Lawyers (2022), Best Lawyers in Australia (2022) and The World's Leading Trademark Professionals, The Legal 500 – Australian Bar – Intellectual Property. Andrew is also admitted to practice as a Barrister in New Zealand.

Appointments

Member of the New South Wales Bar Association Professional Conduct Committee

2017 – Present

Member of the New South Wales Bar Association Alternate Dispute Resolution Committee

2011 - 2016

Lecturer with Dr Alexandra George of postgraduate course LAWS8017/JURD7617 Intellectual Property Law at UNSW Semester 1, 2015

Lecturer in Intellectual Property Law in the Diploma of Law conducted by the Legal Profession Admission Board

November 2002 - November 2012

Lecturer in contract Law for the Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Sydney

February 2002 - June 2003

Lecturer in Litigation for the Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Sydney

July 2003 - February 2004

Public Notary in New South Wales

2004 – Present