

Phoebe Arcus**5 Wentworth Chambers**

Phoebe began practising at the NSW Bar on 30 April 2007. Her practice areas are patent, intellectual property law, and competition law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Phoebe worked as a solicitor at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons) and was Associate to the Hon. A. Bennett AC SC at the Federal Court of Australia. Phoebe has been a member of the Wellbeing Committee since 2022 and was previously on the New Barristers Committee. She is a member of the Law Council of Australia's Intellectual Property Committee. [BA LLB (UNSW), LLM (New York University)]

Darrell Barnett**Banco Chambers**

Darrell began practising at the NSW Bar on 30 April 2007. His practice areas are commercial law, class actions, and high value property disputes in family law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Darrell was Associate to the Hon. W. M. C. Gummow AC at the High Court of Australia, and a solicitor at Freehills (now Herbert Smith Freehills) primarily in stamp duties, banking, and finance law. Darrell co-designed, developed and taught a course as part of the University of Sydney's LLM program on the judicial power of the Commonwealth and federal jurisdiction. [LLM (Sydney), BSc, LLB (Waikato University, NZ)]

Hayley Bennett**New Chambers**

Hayley began practising at the NSW Bar on 4 May 2009. Her practice areas are succession and protective law, and health law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Hayley worked as a clinical and research neuropsychologist and provided expert opinion in succession and protective law proceedings in courts and tribunals. She also sat as a professional member on the Guardianship Tribunal. Hayley has been a member of the Succession and Protective Law Committee since its inception in 2021 and was appointed its Deputy Chair in 2023. [BA (Hons) (Sydney), LLB (Hons) (UNSW), MA (Macquarie), MSc (Macquarie), PhD (Sydney)]

Nicholas Broadbent**Public Defenders Chambers**

Nicholas began practising at the NSW Bar on 2 October 2009. His practice area is criminal law. He is based in Dubbo and is the sole Public Defender for an area of Western NSW bounded by Lightning Ridge and Broken Hill dealing with the most serious indictable matters. Nicholas commenced practice at Maurice Byers Chambers and was appointed as a Public Defender in January 2020. Prior to being called to the Bar, he worked for several years in New York City at Vedder Price P.C., in aviation finance and bankruptcy law and was an admitted member of the New York Bar. He has been the Honorary Secretary of the Association since 2021, a Bar Councillor since 2020 and a member of several committees. He is the chair of the Macquarie Conservatorium of Music, a not-for-profit music school in the Dubbo region, a keen trombonist, and worked as a musician and music teacher throughout his university years. [BEC LLB (Hons) (Macquarie University), LLM (Harvard)]

Chester Brown**7 Wentworth Selborne**

Chester began practising at the NSW Bar on 12 January 2010. His practice areas are public international law, international investment law, and international commercial arbitration. Chester is also Professor of International Law and International Arbitration at the University of Sydney Law School. Prior to coming to the Bar, Chester worked at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons) with a focus on environmental law and litigation. Chester has spent several years overseas in various roles in international law. He has written several books and, as a member of the International Committee, has been involved in the delivery of CPDs on international law. [BA (Hons) LLB (Hons) (Melbourne), BCL (Oxford), PhD (Cambridge)]

Brendan Campbell**Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions**

Brendan began practising at the NSW Bar on 22 September 2014. His practice area is criminal law. Prior to joining the Bar, Brendan was called to the Queensland Bar in 1985 and was a Crown Prosecutor until 2014. As the head of the Crown Prosecutor's office in Lismore, he leads development of the local Bar. [BEcon (Queensland), LLB (Honours) (Queensland)]

Hilbert Chiu**Tenth Floor Selborne/Wentworth Chambers**

Hilbert began practising at the NSW Bar on 2 May 2011. His practice areas are medical negligence, professional negligence, public liability, insurance, inquests and inquiries, and building and construction. Prior to coming to the Bar, Hilbert worked for Herbert Smith Freehills as a solicitor in building, construction and general commercial litigation and as tipstaff to the Hon. Justice Garling of the Supreme Court. Hilbert is a member of the Bar Council and Common Law Committee. He is a delegate for the Bar on the Supreme Court Class Actions User's Group and the Costs Assessment Rules Committee. Hilbert volunteers with CanRevive, a charitable organisation in the Chinese-Australian community which educates and supports cancer patients and their carers. [BA (Hons) LLB (Hons) MPhil (Sydney)]

Paul Coady**Public Defenders Chambers**

Paul began practising at the NSW Bar on 3 October 2008. His practice area is criminal law. Before becoming a Public Defender, he practised in the areas of wills and estates, commercial, and criminal law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Paul was a solicitor at Phillips Fox (now DLA Piper) and worked as in-house counsel for NineMSN.com.au. Paul has been a member of a number of Bar Association Committees and was the Public Defenders' representative on the "Forensic Working Group, Monitoring and Evaluation Group", an inter-governmental agency tasked with monitoring the implementation of the *Mental Health and Cognitive Impairment Forensic Provisions Act 2020* (NSW). [BA, LLB (Monash)]

Michelle England**Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions**

Michelle began practising at the NSW Bar on 1 May 2006. Her practice area is criminal law and she is a Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions. Prior to coming to the Bar, Michelle worked at Blake Dawson Waldron (now Ashurst) and as a Solicitor Advocate at the Crown Solicitor's Office. Michelle has been a member of the Criminal Law Committee and a Professional Conduct Committee. Michelle has a long-standing commitment to legal education and training. She was a presenter at all four of the Association's 2024 CPD conferences and, for 3 years, was a member of an Australian team delivering trial advocacy training to prosecutors in Kampala, Uganda. [BA, LLB (Sydney), GDLP (UTS)]

Lester Fernandez**Forbes Chambers**

Lester began practising at the NSW Bar on 8 October 2007. His practice area is criminal law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Lester worked in a children's legal service and then at Legal Aid NSW. Lester was a member of the Criminal Law Committee for 16 years, a member of the Education Committee, and is currently a member of the working group developing a program to assist First Nations Bar Exam candidates. Lester volunteers as the chair of a finance committee at a not-for-profit community organisation and volunteers for a local charity which helps disadvantaged members of the community. He is also Captain of his running club. [BA, LLB, LLM (NSW), GDLP (UTS)]

Simon Fitzpatrick**7 Wentworth Selborne**

Simon began practising at the NSW Bar on 22 September 2010. He has a broad commercial practice, specialising in insurance law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Simon practised in New York for eight years acting for pharmaceutical and medical device companies in intellectual property litigation. He started his career as Associate to the Hon. A. M. Gleeson AC KC, Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia, and then taught law at the University of Sydney. Simon has volunteered as a director of Marrickville Legal Centre and has appeared *pro bono* for their clients. He participates in the University of Sydney's Professional Mentoring Program. [BA, LLB (Hons) (Sydney), LLM (Harvard)]

Sean Flood**Black Chambers**

Sean began practising at the NSW Bar on 16 February 2004. His practice area is criminal law. Sean was an early supporter of working from home, having run his busy practice from home. Sean is a member of the Diversity and Equality Committee and the Accessibility Panel. He has recently been working on a *pro bono* basis with Victim Advocates International, assisting survivors of United States of America drone strikes in Somalia to access *ex gratia* payments. [BA (UNSW), LLB (UTS)]

Trent Glover
11 St James Hall

Trent began practising at the NSW Bar on 1 October 2010. His practice areas are administrative, public and regulatory law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Trent worked for the Commonwealth Treasury, before being called to the ACT Bar in 2007, while working for the Australian Government Solicitor in Canberra. Trent is a member of the Human Rights Committee and was recently appointed its Chair. He teaches public law at the University of Sydney at both undergraduate and graduate levels. Trent is a legal officer in the Royal Australian Navy Reserve. [BEC LLB (Hons)(James Cook), LLM (QUT), Grad Dip Mil Law (ANU)]

Andrew Gotting
P G Hely Chambers

Andrew began practising at the NSW Bar on 15 February 1999. His practice areas are employment, industrial, and occupational health and safety law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Andrew worked as a solicitor at Freehill Hollingdale and Page (now Herbert Smith Freehills) working primarily in the areas of employment, industrial and occupational health and safety and then as Associate to the Hon. W. M. C. Gummow AC, at the High Court of Australia. Andrew is a member of the Industrial, Employment and Health and Safety Committee, and of the Law Council of Australia's Industrial Law Committee. [LLB (Hons) (UTS), BBus (UTS)]

Zelie Heger
Eleven Wentworth

Zelie began practising at the NSW Bar on 29 April 2013. Her practice areas are administrative law, environment and planning law, and inquiries, tort and general commercial law and constitutional law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Zelie was Associate to the Hon. M. Black AC KC, then Chief Justice of the Federal Court of Australia and to the Hon. R. French AC, then Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia, and was thereafter a solicitor at the NSW Crown Solicitor's Office. Zelie is the Deputy Chair of the Education Committee and has delivered the Evidence Lecture to Bar Exam candidates each year since 2016. [BA, LLB (Hons) (Sydney), LLM (Cambridge)]

Elisa Holmes
Eleven Wentworth

Elisa began practising at the NSW Bar on 1 July 2012. Her practice areas are commercial law and equity, corporations, contract, insolvency, insurance, estoppel, and competition law. Prior to joining the Bar, Elisa was at the South Australian Bar and then worked as a barrister at Monckton Chambers in London from 2005 to 2012, before returning to Australia. Elisa is a member of the International Committee and is a director of Sport NSW and of KU Children's Services, a not-for-profit provider of childcare, preschool and other services. [BA (Journalism) (South Australia), LLB (Hons) (Adelaide), BCL (Oxford), MPhil (Oxford)]

Matthew Lewis

Level 22 Chambers

Matthew began practising at the NSW Bar on 4 December 2009. His practice areas are media and defamation law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Matthew practised at the Bar in England and Wales in civil, privacy, family, and human rights law at 30 Park Place, Cardiff, Wales. Matthew continues to undertake work in the United Kingdom. Matthew is a member of the Bar News Committee. [LLB (Wales), GradDipCommLaw (Sydney), GDLP (College of Law), LLM (Sydney)]

Amy Munro

Omnia Chambers

Amy began practising at the NSW Bar on 30 April 2012. Her practice areas are commercial law, commissions and inquiries. Prior to coming to the Bar, Amy worked for Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons) predominately in litigation. Amy is on the Bar Council, the Finance, Investment and Audit Committee, and a Professional Conduct Committee. Amy has had a long-time association with the Redfern Legal Centre, where she started as a volunteer in 2002 and left in 2020 after 10 years as the Chair of their board. [BCom LLB (Hons) (UTS), LLM (Sydney)]

Christopher Othen

Waratah Chambers

Christopher began practising at the NSW Bar on 30 September 2011. His practice area is family law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Christopher practised as a solicitor in Gloucester, England and then moved to Australia where he worked at Barkus Edwards Doolan (now Barkus Doolan Winning). In 2006, he became an Accredited Family Law Specialist through the Law Society of NSW. He became an accredited Arbitrator of family law property cases by AIFLAM in 2016, and an accredited mediator in 2020. Christopher is a member of a Professional Conduct Committee. [BA, LLB (Birmingham)]

Samuel Pararajasingham

Forbes Chambers

Samuel began practising at the NSW Bar on 30 September 2011. His practice area is criminal law. Prior to joining the Bar, Samuel worked for Minter Ellison Lawyers in commercial litigation and then for the Aboriginal Legal Service in regional NSW. Samuel has been on the Diversity and Equality Committee and presented numerous continuing legal education papers for commercial and not-for-profit organisations as well as presenting at the Bar Practice Course. [BA, LLB (Hons)(Sydney)]

Thomas Prince

New Chambers

Thomas began practising at the NSW Bar on 30 April 2012. His practice area is commercial law. Before coming to the Bar, Thomas was Associate to the Hon. J D Heydon KC and the Hon. V Bell AC SC at the High Court of Australia, and then worked at Allens as a solicitor. Thomas has been a member of the Bar Exam Working Party since 2022, has presented at the Bar Practice Course workshops for equity applications, and has spoken at various conferences in NSW and other states. [BSc (Adv) (Hons), LLB (Hons)(Sydney), LLM (University College London)]

Robert Ranken**12 Wentworth Selborne Chambers**

Robert began practising at the NSW Bar on 31 May 2010. His practice areas are crime, inquests and workplace safety matters. Prior to coming to the Bar, Robert was a senior solicitor within the Inquiries and Criminal Law Teams at the NSW Crown Solicitor's Office, before which he was a solicitor for the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. Robert is on a Professional Conduct Committee and has been a member of the Inquests and Inquiries Committee since its inception. [BA (Hons), LLB (ANU)]

Alan Shearer**Eleven Wentworth Chambers**

Alan began practising at the NSW Bar on 5 May 2010. His practice area is commercial law. Prior to coming to the Bar, Alan was a senior associate in the Dispute Resolution Group at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons). Alan is a member of the Inquests and Inquiries Committee and volunteers substantial time to charitable works. [BA (Hons), LLB (Hons) (Sydney)]

Fionnuala Simpson**7 Wentworth Selborne Chambers**

Nuala began practising at the NSW Bar on 19 October 2010. Her practice areas are infrastructure, building and construction, and engineering, specialising in arbitrations, including international arbitrations and class action proceedings. Prior to coming to the Bar, Nuala was a solicitor and senior associate at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons) in the construction and engineering team, and an associate at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, London, in the construction, engineering and international arbitration teams. Nuala is a member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee and the International Committee. [BSc (Psychology), LLB (UNSW), Masters (International Law) (Sydney)]

Vanessa Thomas**12 Wentworth Selborne Chambers**

Vanessa began practising at the NSW Bar on 4 May 2009. Her practice area is medical negligence claims. Prior to coming to the Bar, Vanessa worked as a solicitor at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (now King & Wood Mallesons) in Sydney, then joined the Hong Kong office, practising in commercial litigation and arbitration, where she stayed for 10 years. Vanessa later joined Blake Dawson Waldron (now Ashurst) in commercial litigation. Vanessa is a member of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee and the Common Law Committee. [BA, LLB (UNSW)]

James Trevallion**Sir Owen Dixon Chambers**

James began practising at the NSW Bar on 13 August 1999. His practice area is criminal law. Prior to coming to the Bar, James worked in hospitality, sales and occasionally as a labourer. He lived in Spain for two years, taught English as a foreign language, and studied at Madrid University, becoming fluent in Spanish. James was a mature age student who, upon completing his degree, came straight to the Bar. James currently serves as a non-executive director of the We Help Ourselves Rehabilitation Service, for which he has volunteered for 20 years. He has also been a member of the Legal Aid Committee. [LLB (NSW)]