

## Senior Counsel Appointments 2019

#### Stefan William Balafoutis

Tenth Floor Selborne/Wentworth Chambers

Stefan commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 15 February 2002. He practices in commercial law and equity, principally in contractual and equity disputes, corporations law matters and state revenue disputes. He has participated in, and assisted in the development of, the New South Wales Bar Association Mentoring Program and has also mentored two indigenous barristers as part of the Indigenous Barristers Trust mentoring program. He has also been involved as a coach in the Association's Bar Practice Course and has been a member of a Professional Conduct Committee. [B Comm LLB University of NSW]

#### Christian Nicholas Bova

Eleven Wentworth

Christian commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 4 April 2005. He practices in alternative dispute resolution, appellate work, commercial law and equity. He has also appeared in a number of high profile pro bono matters in the Federal Court and other jurisdictions. Before coming to the Bar, worked as a solicitor at Clayton Utz and as the Associate to a Federal Court Judge. [BBA LLB (Hons)Macquarie University]

### John Walter Catsanos

Henry Parkes Chambers

John commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 3 July 1987. He practices in alternative dispute resolution, appellate work and common law/personal injury. [LLB University of Sydney]

#### David Wai Mun Chin

5 Wentworth Chambers

David commenced practice at the NSW Bar on 23 February 2001. He practices in alternative dispute resolution, appellate work, Industrial and employment law, Inquests and inquiries and public and administrative law. He is the co-author of *The Modern Contract of Employment* (2<sup>nd</sup> edition) and is an adjunct Senior Lecturer in the Master of Laws and Master of Labour Law and Relations degree programs at the University of Sydney. He is a member of the Executive Committee of the NSW Branch of the Australian Labour Law Association. He regularly presents papers on industrial and employment law both to academic and legal conferences, and undertakes pro bono work for The Law

Kitchen, a volunteer legal service for homeless people. [B Ec LLB (Hons) Macquarie University; MSt (Oxford University]

## William Markey Fitzsimmons

Ninth Floor Windeyer Chambers

William commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 9 February 1990. He practices in appellate work, common law, insurance work and personal injury. He has served on various tribunals and panels in both NSW and the ACT. He was a member of the New South Wales Bar Association's Common Law Committee for more than a decade and has regularly represented the interests of the Bar Association at various Government and regulatory forums. He has also served on the Personal Injuries and Compensation Committee of the Law Council of Australia. He has lectured and acted as a tutor advocacy instructor in the Bar Practice Course, and has presented papers at various legal conferences including those convened by the New South Wales Bar Association and Law Society of NSW. [LLB University of Technology Sydney]

## Patrick William Flynn

Eleven Wentworth

Patrick commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 7 February 2005. He has a broad commercial practice with a particular focus upon intellectual property law. He was awarded the University of NSW Medal in Law in 1997, and in 2000 he was awarded the Sir Robert Menzies Memorial Scholarship in Law by the Menzies Foundation, which saw him undertake a Masters of Law at Cambridge University. He has also served as an Associate to a Justice of the High Court of Australia. [BSc LLB University of NSW; LLM (Cambridge University)]

## Ross Michael Foreman

P G Hely Chambers

Ross commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 21 February 2005. He practices in commercial law and equity and industrial and employment law. Prior to coming to the Bar, he served as an Associate to a Justice of the High Court of Australia and as a solicitor at Clayton Utz, working predominantly in commercial litigation. [BA LLB University of NSW; LLM University of Sydney]

#### Steven Mark Golledge

Third Floor St James' Hall

Steven commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 2 May 2005. He practices in commercial law and equity and public and administrative law. He speaks regularly on corporate insolvency and in bankruptcy law at specialist conferences run by government and professional associations, and has served on court user groups. [BA LLB Australian National University]

### Jason Edward Lazarus

7 Wentworth Selborne

Jason commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 16 February 2004. He practices in areas ranging from planning and environmental law to commercial and property litigation and general equity matters. Prior to coming to the Bar he worked as an Associate to a Federal Court Justice and then practised as a solicitor and senior associate for 5 years in litigation at Clayton Utz. [BA LLB University of NSW]

# Craig Lindsay Lenehan

Fifth Floor St James' Hall

Craig commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 1 May 2006. His practice involves appellate work and public and administrative law. He has presented papers at various conferences relating to constitutional laws, is a fellow of the Gilbert + Tobin Centre of Public Law, and has served on various New South Wales Bar Association and Australian Bar Association Committees, including the Human Rights Committee. [BSc Macquarie University; LLB University of NSW].

### Terrence Matthew Mehigan

12th Floor Selborne/Wentworth Chambers

Terrence commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 30 April 2007. His principal areas of practice involve appellate work, commercial law and equity and international arbitration. Before coming to the Bar he served as an Associate to a Federal Court Justice, then worked as a solicitor in NSW and in England, reaching the level of partner. He has presented papers on insurance law and international arbitration at various forums, and is a Fellow of Australian Centre of International Commercial Arbitration and a member of the International Chamber of Commerce Commission on Arbitration and ADR. He is a member of the Australian Bar Association's International Committee, the New South Wales Bar Association's ADR Committee and a member of its former Transport, Maritime and Aviation Law Committee. [BA LLB LLM University of Sydney]

# Michael Joseph O'Meara

Sixth Floor Selborne / Wentworth

Michael began practising at the New South Wales Bar on 1 April 2005. Michael practises principally in taxation, commercial, equity and administrative law. He is a member of the Bar Association's Education Committee and of the Taxation Institute of Australia's Dispute Resolution Committee. [BA LLB (Hons) Australian National University; LLM University of Sydney]

## Dr Elisabeth Mary Peden

Third Floor Wentworth Chambers

Elisabeth Peden began practising at the New South Wales Bar in 2008, following a successful career teaching undergraduate and postgraduate contract law, commercial law, remedies and evidence at both the University of Sydney and Cambridge. Following her call to the Bar, her principal areas of practice are commercial and contract law, general equity, family provision and succession, property and strata law. She served on the Bar Council in 2012-13. Elisabeth has also served on the editorial boards of a number of law journals, including the *Journal of Contract Law* and *Commercial Law Quarterly*. In May 2018 she succeeded Bret Walker SC as editor of the *New South Wales Law Reports*. [BA (Hons) LLB (Hons) University of Sydney; PhD Cambridge University]

### Richard Charles Pontello

Sir Owen Dixon Chambers

Richard commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 6 April 1999. He practises principally in criminal law, including a number of complex terrorism trials. [BA LLB Macquarie University]

# Elizabeth Raper

5 Wentworth Chambers

Elizabeth commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 2 May 2005. Prior to that, she had worked as a solicitor at Baker and McKenzie for six years in Sydney and London and taught both undergraduate and post-graduate classes at the University of Sydney. She practises principally in contract, industrial, administrative, and health law, as well as inquests and coronial inquiries. She has co-authored with Chris Ronalds SC two editions of *Discrimination Law and Practice*. Elizabeth is a current member of the Bar Council. [BA LLB University of Sydney]

## **James Camac Sheller**

New Chambers

James commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 16 February 2004. He practises in the areas of areas of general common law, notably in the Dust Diseases Tribunal, as well as public and administrative law, inquests and inquiries. [BA LLB University of Sydney]

## Jennifer Maree Single

12th Floor Selborne / Wentworth

Jennifer began practising at the New South Wales Bar on 4 October 2005. As a solicitor, she worked in commercial litigation at Mallesons Stephen Jaques and Henry Davis York. She now practises principally in federal criminal law, particularly narcotics, people

smuggling and white-collar crime, as well as environment and planning, taxation, inquests and inquiries. [BA (Hons) LLB (Hons) University of Sydney]

### Tanya Louise Smith

Crown Prosecutors Chambers

Tanya began practising at the New South Wales Bar as a Crown Prosecutor on 1 February 2007. She practices in criminal law and is the Acting Deputy Director of the Office of the DPP. [LLB (Hons) BSc University of Queensland]

# Richard John Wilson

Public Defenders Chambers

Richard began practising at the New South Wales Bar on 16 February 2004. He practises in criminal, public and administrative law, inquests and inquiries. Since 2012, he has served as a public defender and deputy senior public defender. Richard has served on the Bar Association's Criminal Law Committee since 2008 and on the Law Council's National Criminal Law Committee since 2015. [BA (Hons) LLB (Hons) GradDipL Australian National University]

# Tiffany Ling Wong

Banco Chambers

Tiffany commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 11 August 2003. She practices in commercial, equity, public and administrative law. Prior to her admission as a barrister, Tiffany was admitted to the New York Bar and worked as an associate in the litigation department of Sullivan and Cromwell, NY. [BCom LLB University of NSW; LLM Columbia University]

### Christopher Dennis Wood

Thirteenth floor Selborne / Wentworth

Christopher commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar on 10 August 2001. He practices in commercial, equity and appellate law. Christopher has, for the last five years, served on a number of Bar Association committees, including a Professional Conduct Committee, the New Barristers Committee and the Practice Development Committee and has served on the Bar Council. [LLB BSc University of Technology, Sydney]