

# HANNAH LILLEY

YEAR OF CALL: 2021

Hannah's practice focuses on commercial litigation and arbitration.

Since coming to the Bar, Hannah has been instructed in a wide range of commercial disputes including those concerning contracts, corporations, equity, misleading and deceptive conduct, banking and insolvency, consumer protection, building and construction (including security of payment), large infrastructure disputes, franchise disputes, insurance and property law. She appears both led and unled in all State and Federal courts and has experience in urgent and injunctive matters.

Hannah is very familiar with heavy and complex litigation and arbitration. She draws on seven years' experience working as a solicitor, initially at Allens in Brisbane and most recently as a Managing Associate at Linklaters LLP in London. During her time in London, Hannah acted in arbitrations and High Court litigation, including in relation to contracts, corporations, oil and gas, construction, competition and banking and insolvency litigation, and contentious regulatory investigations.

In addition to having been a solicitor, prior to commencing at the Bar, Hannah was an Associate to the Honourable Justice Patrick Keane AC in both the Federal Court of Australia and in the High Court of Australia in 2013-2014. She holds a Bachelor of Laws with First Class Honours from the Queensland University of Technology and is also admitted as a solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales.

## AREAS OF PRACTICE

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Appellate, Arbitration, Banking, Building & Construction, Commercial Equity, Competition & Consumer, Contract, Corporate Insolvency & Bankruptcy, Corporations, Employment & Industrial, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests, International, Land Law & Property, Native Title & Cultural Heritage, Planning & Environment, Resources & Energy.

## EXPERIENCE

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Some of Hannah's experience at the Bar includes:

> Acting (led by J Sexton SC and C Jennings QC) in a construction dispute in the Supreme Court of Queensland.

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- > Acting (led by R Anderson QC) in Supreme Court proceedings regarding a dispute arising out of the sale of a motel business.
- > Acting (led by T Castle SC and others) in Federal Court proceedings relating to automobile dealership franchising arrangements.
- > Appearing (led by D Chesterman) in Supreme Court proceedings concerning a restraint of trade claim arising out of the sale of a business.
- > Appearing (unled) in QCAT proceedings for a prominent jewellery business regarding claims alleging fraud and dishonesty.
- > Acting (unled) in Supreme Court proceedings challenging the decision of an adjudicator under the *Building Industry Fairness (Security of Payment) Act 2017*.
- > Advising (led by R Anderson QC) the owner of real estate regarding a claim for damages for breach of a contract of insurance.
- > Advising (led by M Hodge QC) in relation to a significant farm debt mediation.
- > Acting (led by M Hickey OAM) in a dispute concerning the sale of a financial services business pursuant to a Share Purchase Deed.
- > Advising (led by M Trim) award-winning architects in relation to an application for adjudication under the *Building Industry Fairness (Security of Payment) Act 2017*.
- > Acting (unled) on behalf of the liability insurer for a large electrical company in a consumer dispute claim.
- > Advising (unled) in a claim arising out of the sale of and repairs to a high-end sports car.
- > Acting (unled) in District Court proceedings regarding a contractual debt and promissory estoppel claims.
- > Appearing (unled) in winding up applications in the Supreme Court of Queensland.

Notable matters as a solicitor include:

- > Acting for a major bank in an LCIA arbitration, defending allegations of a “corporate raid” over an oil refinery.
- > Acting for a global oil and gas company in a USD94 million DIFC LCIA arbitration claim brought by an international energy and water company.
- > Acting for a major bank in High Court and LCIA arbitration proceedings regarding various aggressive debt enforcement actions available to it in England and other jurisdictions relating to a debt in excess of EUR1 billion.
- > Acting for a major bank in an investigation regarding alleged breaches of the UK Financial Conduct Authority’s

Principles of Conduct.

> Acting for a leading credit card payment system in proceedings alleging breach of European competition laws (and their various domestic equivalents).

> Advising clients on public international law issues.

## APPOINTMENTS

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**2015-2020** Governor, Stormont House School, London

## MEMBER

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## CAREER

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**2021** Barrister, Queensland

**2020** Admitted as a solicitor to the courts of England and Wales

**2015-2020** Associate / Managing Associate, Linklaters LLP (London)

**2014** Lawyer, Energy and Resources, Allens (Brisbane)

**2013** Admitted as a legal practitioner, Supreme Court of Queensland

**2013** Associate to the Hon. Justice Patrick Keane AC, High Court of Australia

## EDUCATION

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**2013** Bachelor of Laws (Graduate Entry) (Hons I), Queensland University of Technology

**2007** Bachelor of Design Studies (Architecture), University of Queensland

## PUBLICATIONS

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**Insolvency Law Update - Badenoch and the End of the Peak Indebtedness Rule**  
June 2021, Corporate Insolvency & Bankruptcy

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