

JOSH MCGEECHAN

With over 10 years' experience in civil litigation and regulatory investigations, Josh has specific expertise in commercial litigation, regulatory proceedings and investigations.

Prior to being called to the Bar, Josh was a Senior Specialist at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission, where he advised on complex regulatory proceedings and investigations across a range of areas including financial services, superannuation and directors' duties.

Josh was admitted as a solicitor in 2014 and commenced his career as the Associate to the Honourable Justice Peter Applegarth of the Supreme Court of Queensland before working as a solicitor at Herbert Smith Freehills. Josh has also worked at the Competition and Markets Authority in the United Kingdom advising on investigations into anti-competitive practises in the pharmaceutical sector.

Josh holds a Bachelor of Laws with First Class Honours from the University of Queensland and a Bachelor of Civil Law with Distinction from the University of Oxford.



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AREAS OF PRACTICE

Appellate, Banking, Building & Construction, Competition & Consumer, Corporate Insolvency & Bankruptcy, Corporations, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests, Media & Defamation, Professional Discipline & Regulatory, Sport.

EXPERIENCE

Josh's experience as a solicitor includes:

- Litigation against superannuation trustees concerning breaches of the Superannuation Industry (Supervision) Act and the Corporations Act.
- Litigation against large financial services companies for contraventions of the Corporations Act.
- Litigation against companies involving allegations of false or misleading representations concerning financial services.
- Litigation, both civil and criminal, against individuals and companies involving the misuse of funds.
- Applications to obtain asset restraint orders travel restraints.
- Applications to wind up companies and/or appoint receivers.

A sample of cases Josh advised on while working at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission include:

- *ASIC v ASX Limited (No 2)* [2026] FCA 862; *ASIC v ASX Limited* [2025] FCA 552;
- *ASIC v HSBC Bank Australia Limited* [2026] FCA 847;
- *ASIC v AustralianSuper Pty Ltd* [2025] FCA 102;
- *ASIC v BPS Financial Pty Ltd* [2025] FCAFC 74; *ASIC v BPS Financial Pty Ltd (Penalty)* [2026] FCA 18;
- *Palmer v ASIC* [2024] FCA 1167; *Palmer v ASIC* [2025] FCAFC 151

MEMBER

Bar Association of Queensland

CAREER

2026 Barrister

2019 - 2025 Senior Specialist, Australian Securities and Investments Commission

2017 - 2019 Assistant Director – Antitrust, Competition and Markets Authority

2015 - 2016 Solicitor, Herbert Smith Freehills

2014 - 2015 Associate to the Honourable Justice Applegarth, Supreme Court of Queensland

EDUCATION

2017 Bachelor of Civil Law (with Distinction), University of Oxford (Worcester College)

2013 2013 Bachelor of Laws (Hons 1), University of Queensland

2013 Bachelor of Arts (political science and public policy), University of Queensland

AWARDS

2016 Monckton Chambers Prize for best performance in the competition law course in the Bachelor of Civil Law, Oxford University.

2013 D F Jackson Award for outstanding advocacy (inaugural recipient), University of Queensland

2013 Macgillivrays Prize for the Law of Remedies, University of Queensland

2012 Allens Prize in Company Law, University of Queensland

2009 - 2013 Deans Commendations for high achievement

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