

SCOTT MCLEOD QC

YEAR OF CALL: 1992 | YEAR OF SILK: 2018

Scott has a practice which combines both public and commercial law.

His public law practice, which is predominantly judicial and merits review, spans a broad range of areas including human rights, education, freedom of information, immigration, prisons law, police discipline, planning and environment, mining, and local government law. He has extensive court and tribunal experience, advising or acting in proceedings for and against Commonwealth and State Agencies, in the Federal and Supreme Courts, the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal and both the High Court and Court of Appeal of the Solomon Islands.

Scott's expertise extends to regulatory cases which overlap his public law practice, such as professional disciplinary matters, regulatory offences and prosecutions, and disputes that arise in sporting contexts. He also has significant experience in coronial law, regularly acting in inquests, judicial reviews and civil claims for State Agencies, companies, bereaved families and individuals in a wide variety of circumstances, including deaths in police and prison custody, and following mining accidents.

He also advises and appears in complex mining lease objections, including administrative reviews of mining lease decisions and appearances in the Land Court on cases concerning the grant or renewal of mining leases and applications for compensation.

In addition, Scott appears in the Industrial Court and the Queensland Industrial Relations Commission in respect to statutory workers' compensation appeals.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

Appellate, Employment & Industrial, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests, Judicial Review & Administrative, Land Law & Property, Planning & Environment, Professional Discipline & Regulatory, Resources & Energy, Sport.

CASES

***Glass v Workers' Compensation Regulator* [2020] ICQ 001**

January 2020, Employment & Industrial

***Maroochydore Sands Pty Ltd v Minister for State Development, Manufacturing, Infrastructure and Planning* [2019] QSC 319**

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CHAMBERS



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December 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative, Planning & Environment

Commissioner of Police Service v Parole Board of Queensland & Anor[2019] QSC 315

December 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Flori v Winter & Ors [2019] QCA 281

December 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

St Jacques v Workers' Compensation Regulator[2019] ICQ 13

November 2019, Employment & Industrial

Brighton Pacific Pty Ltd and Australian Skills Quality Authority[2019] AATA 3645

September 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Pollentine v Attorney General [2019] QSC 200

August 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia v HSK[2019] QCA 144

July 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Yousif v Workers' Compensation Regulator[2019] ICQ 10

July 2019, Employment & Industrial, Judicial Review & Administrative

Crown Solicitor v Bird [2019] QSC 147

June 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Flori v Winter & Ors [2019] QSC 106

May 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Green v Workers' Compensation Regulator[2019] ICQ 3

May 2019, Employment & Industrial

Vaughan v Parole Board Queensland[2019] QSC 10

January 2019, Judicial Review & Administrative

Toombs v Workers' Compensation Regulator [2018] QIRC 77

June 2018, Judicial Review & Administrative, Employment & Industrial

Currie v Queensland Racing Integrity Commission[2018] QCAT 245

June 2018, Appellate, Contract, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

Wilmar Sugar Pty v Blackwood [2018] QCA 138

June 2018, Judicial Review & Administrative

Chibanda v Chief Executive, Queensland Health & Anor[2018] QSC 128

June 2018, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

Loft v Minister for Local Government, Minister for Racing and Minister for Multicultural Affairs[2018] QSC 96

May 2018, Judicial Review & Administrative

Ellison (as the Executive of the Estate of the late Eric Wilson) v Worker's Compensation Regulator[2018] QIRC 49

April 2018, Appellate, Employment & Industrial, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests

Springsure Creek Coal Pty Ltd v Arcturus Downs Ltd[2018] QLC 8

April 2018, Land Law & Property, Resources & Energy

Bargara Esplanade Management Pty Ltd & Ors v Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry [2018] QCATA 54

March 2018, Corporate Insolvency & Bankruptcy, Contract

Austin v Deputy Commission Peter Martin[2018] QCAT 120

March 2018, Judicial Review & Administrative, Employment & Industrial

Jackson v Deputy Commissioner Gollschewski[2018] QCAT 464

December 2017, Employment & Industrial, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests

Thomas v Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister for Training & Skills[2017] QSC 308

December 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative

BKE Pty Ltd v Department of Education & Training[2017] QCAT 343

October 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission v Kadniak[2017] QCATA 102

September 2017, Appellate, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

O'Keefe v Deputy Commissioner Brett Pointing[2017] QCAT 299

September 2017, Employment & Industrial, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests

Wilmar Sugar Pty Ltd v Blackwood[2017] QSC 180

August 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative

State of Queensland (Department of Justice and Attorney-General) v Workers' Compensation Regulator [2017] QIRC 77

August 2017, Appellate

Oz Family Day Care Pty Ltd v Department of Education and Training[2017] QCAT 220

July 2017, Corporations, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Reihana v QCAT Client Services Manager* [2017] QCA 117**

June 2017, Appellate, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Powell v Queensland University of Technology* [2018] QCA 200**

May 2017, Appellate, Judicial Review & Administrative

***EFN v Lehmann* [2017] QSC 77**

May 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Nesterowich v Acting Assistant Commissioner Deborah Platz* [2017] QCAT 139**

May 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Mazza v Stewart (Commissioner of Police)* [2017] QSC 43**

March 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Crime & Corruption Commission v Dawes* [2017] QCAT 66**

March 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Gold Coast Lifestyle Association v Minister for Infrastructure & Regional Development* [2017] AATA 368**

March 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Yarrow v Workers' Compensation Regulator* [2017] QIRC 2**

January 2017, Employment & Industrial, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Kuhn v Deputy Commissioner of Police Brett Pointing* [2017] QCAT 16**

January 2017, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Assistant Commissioner Hollands v Tolsher* [2016] QCATA 123**

August 2016, Appellate, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Flanagan v Stewart* [2016] QSC 155**

July 2016, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Hurley v Stewart* [2016] QSC 154**

July 2016, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Lee v Crime and Corruption Commission & Commissioner of Police* [2016] QCA 145**

June 2016, Appellate, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Tablelands Regional Council v Minister for Local Government* [2016] QSC 88**

April 2016, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Willis v State of Queensland* [2016] QSC 80**

March 2016, Employment & Industrial, Judicial Review & Administrative

***SMM Solomon & Others v Axiom KB Limited & Others* [2016] SBCA 1**

March 2016, Appellate, Judicial Review & Administrative, Land Law & Property, Resources & Energy

***Aldi Stores (A Limited Partnership) v Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator)* [2016] QIRC 7**

January 2016, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests

***Tonkin v Queensland Parole Board* [2015] QSC 334**

November 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Stoddart v Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator)* [2015] QIRC 160**

September 2015, Employment & Industrial

***Zecevic v Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator)* [2015] QSC 232**

August 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Carlton v Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator)* [2015] QIRC 150**

August 2015, Employment & Industrial

***Kennedy v Commissioner of the Qld Police Service* [2015] QSC 219**

August 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Gilbey v Central and Northern Queensland Regional Parole Board* [2015] QSC 217**

July 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***BZAFI v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection* [2015] FCA 771**

July 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Jones v Dawson APM, Assistant Commissioner* [2015] QSC 147**

June 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Financial Securities Pty Ltd v Gold Coast City Council* [2015] QSC 130**

May 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative, Land Law & Property

***Butler v Commissioner of Queensland Police Service* [2015] QSC 225**

May 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative, Professional Discipline & Regulatory

***Day v Queensland Parole Board* [2015] QSC 089**

April 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator) v Toward* [2015] ICQ 8**

March 2015, Employment & Industrial

***Queensland Parole Board v Pangilinan* [2015] QCA 35**

March 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative, Appellate

***Wilson v The State of Queensland* [2015] QSC 56**

March 2015, Employment & Industrial

***McGrane v Queensland State Parole Board* [2015] QSC 34**

February 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Mbuzi v Commissioner of Queensland Police Service* [2015] QSC 30**

February 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative

***ERO Georgetown Gold Operations Pty Ltd v Andrew Cripps, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines* [2015] QSC**

January 2015, Judicial Review & Administrative, Resources & Energy

***Flori v Commissioner of Police & Anor* [2014] QSC 284**

November 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Church v Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator)* [2014] QIRC 158**

October 2014, Employment & Industrial

***Arndt v Crime and Misconduct Commission* [2013] QCATA 340**

September 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Lee v Crime and Corruption Commission & Anor* [2014] QCATA 326**

September 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative

Royal Commission into the Home Insulation Program

August 2014, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests

***Peros v Dwyer* [2014] QSC 201**

August 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Harvie v Commissioner Ian Stewart* [2014] QCAT 388**

August 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Scott v Simon Blackwood (Workers' Compensation Regulator)* [2014] QIRC 116**

July 2014, Employment & Industrial

***Armstrong v Local Government Workcare* [2014] ICQ 7**

April 2014, Employment & Industrial

***Salonga v Minister for Immigration* [2014] FCCA 1173**

March 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative, Appellate

***Rucker v Stewart* [2014] QCA 32**

February 2014, Judicial Review & Administrative, Appellate

***Stagg v North* [2014] QSC 8**

February 2014, Employment & Industrial, Judicial Review & Administrative

***BWP Management Limited v Valuer-General* [2014] QLC 3**

February 2014, Appellate, Land Law & Property

***Commissioner of Police Service v Spencer* [2014] 2 Qd R 23**

January 2014, Appellate

***Jarvis v Atkinson* [2013] QSC 349**

December 2013, Employment & Industrial, Judicial Review & Administrative

***O'Brien v Assistant Commissioner Gollschewski* [2013] QCAT 612**

September 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Queensland North Australia Pty Ltd v Takeovers Panel* [2014] FCA 591**

July 2013, Corporations, Judicial Review & Administrative, Appellate

***Lincoln v Southern Queensland Regional Parole Board* [2013] QSC 176**

July 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Wheeler v Assistant Commissioner Paul Wilson* [2013] QCAT 519**

July 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Maloney v The Queen* [2013] HCA 28**

June 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***DA v Deputy Commissioner Stewart (No 2)* [2013] QCATA 162**

May 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Keys v Medical Board of Australia* [2013] QCAT 233**

May 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Crime and Misconduct Commission v Commissioner of Police & Anor* [2013] QCAT 362**

May 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Townsville Housing Resource Unit Inc v Flegg* [2013] QSC 96**

March 2013, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Waratah Coal Pty Ltd v Nicholls* [2013] QSC 68**

March 2013, Corporations, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Kennedy v Deputy Commissioner Stewart* [2012] QCATA 258**

December 2012, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Crime & Misconduct Commission v Wilson & Anor*[2012] QCA 134**

November 2012, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Deputy Commissioner Stewart v Dark*[2012] QCA 228**

August 2012, Inquiries & Coronial Inquests

***Murray v Deputy Commissioner Stewart*[2011] QCAT 583**

September 2011, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Hansen v President of the Industrial Court of Queensland*[2011] QSC 130**

May 2011, Appellate, Employment & Industrial

***The Uniting Church in Australia (Q.) and Secretary, Department of Health and Ageing*[2010] AATA 536**

July 2010, Judicial Review & Administrative

***Parker v The President of the Industrial Court of Queensland*[2010] HCA Trans. 53**

May 2010, Judicial Review & Administrative, Employment & Industrial

***Foots v Southern Cross Mine Management Pty Ltd*[2007] HCA 56**

December 2007, Corporate Insolvency & Bankruptcy, Judicial Review & Administrative

RECOMMENDATIONS

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CAREER

1993-1997 Legal Officer, Crown Law, Queensland

1994-1995 Part-time tutor in Evidence and lecturer in Civil Procedure, Griffith University

1992 Barrister at Law, admitted

1992 Associate to Mr Justice McPherson CBE, Court of Appeal, Supreme Court of Queensland

1991 Associate to Mr Justice Dowsett, Supreme Court of Queensland

EDUCATION

1998 Master of Laws, University of Queensland

1996 Master of Laws (Hons), University of Cambridge – Awarded – British Chevening Bursary

1993 Master of Philosophy (International Relations), University of Cambridge

1991 Bachelor of Laws, University of Queensland

1989 Bachelor of Arts, University of Queensland

PUBLICATIONS

The Art of Decision Writing: A Practical Introduction to Administrative Decision Writing Under the Workers' Compensation and Rehabilitation Act

November 2019, Employment & Industrial

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