

BELINDA EPSTEIN

BARRISTER

INTRODUCTION

I was called to the Bar in mid 2017. My expertise is in civil litigation.

Prior to coming to the bar, I practiced as in-house counsel at a NSW State-owned corporation, worked as a solicitor in national and smaller practices and lectured and tutored at the University of Newcastle in civil procedure and alternative dispute resolution.

I have had significant experience in health law, medical negligence and other personal injury claims, acting for both plaintiffs and defendants, in New South Wales and interstate. I appear in coronial inquests and commissions of inquiry, disciplinary matters, guardianship and mental health matters.

Since coming to the bar, I have also acted in regulatory, administrative law matters and family law (both for parents and as the independent children's lawyer). I have also recently commenced acting as a mediator in personal injury/civil claims.

CHAMBERS

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QUALIFICATIONS

2017	Called to the New South Wales Bar
2000	Admitted as a solicitor to the Supreme Court of New South Wales
1999	Bachelor of Laws, University of New South Wales
1996	Bachelor of Arts, University of Newcastle, majoring in Classical Studies

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

2013-2017	<i>Catherine Henry Lawyers</i> Senior associate, health law, medical negligence
2012	<i>Lecturer and Tutor, University of Newcastle</i> Civil procedure and alternative dispute resolution
2006 – 2012	<i>Transport for New South Wales</i> In-house counsel, litigation and general legal
2000 – 2005	<i>Dibbs Barker Gosling and Minter Ellison</i> Solicitor, commercial and insurance litigation
1999-2000	<i>NSW Crown Solicitor's Office</i> Graduate paralegal, tort law team

PRIMARY PRACTICE AREAS

- ◇ Administrative law and judicial review
- ◇ ADR/Mediation
- ◇ Disciplinary law
- ◇ Health law
- ◇ Inquests and commissions of inquiry
- ◇ Intentional torts
- ◇ Medical and other professional negligence
- ◇ Mental health
- ◇ Personal injury including public liability and work injury damages claims

OTHER EXPERIENCE

I participate in regular meetings of the University of Newcastle's Clinical Unit in Ethics and Health Law. From 2015 to 2018 I was the legal member of the University of Newcastle's Human Research Ethics Committee.

I present at national conferences and was on the editorial board of, and have been published on several occasions in, the Lexis Nexis Civil Liability Bulletin.

I am actively involved with the University of Newcastle law school, judging mooted competitions and presenting seminars from time to time.

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