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ADMISSIONS

2016	Barrister, Supreme Court of NSW Lawyer, Supreme Court of NSW
2011	Barrister, Bar of England and Wales

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Madeleine was admitted to the NSW Bar in 2016 and currently practices as a barrister in Sydney, Australia, in the areas of human rights, public law, commercial law and family law. She comes to law as a second career and brings with her significant experience having worked in the health and social care sectors for many years, specialising in mental health, drug and alcohol, domestic violence and child protection. Madeleine has published work in both national and international journals and presented at a number of conferences globally.

Madeleine was initially called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2011. Following her admission, she spent a year working in Nigeria for the Bar Human Rights Committee of England and Wales where she fearlessly advocated for the rights of children whilst actively promoting the rule of law. She trained NGO workers in legal case management and assisted lawyers in successfully prosecuting cases of child abuse, as well training UNICEF, the police and the judiciary across Nigeria. Madeleine then travelled to Strasbourg to work for the European Court of Human Rights having been awarded the Peter Duffy Human Rights Scholarship in 2010 by The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn. She was responsible for preparing draft reports and decisions on cases brought before the Court regarding admissibility. In 2010 and 2009, respectively, she was awarded the Head of School Prize and the Oxford Press Prize for best postgraduate law student, and in 2010 she was also awarded the Hardwick Entrance Scholarship by The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn.

EDUCATION

2010 - 2011	Bar Professional Training Course (Grade: Very Competent) City Law School, University of London (formerly Inns of Court Law School)
2008 - 2010	Postgraduate Diploma in Law/CPE (Grade: Distinction - ranked 1st consecutive years) University of Brighton, UK
1997	Mediation Award (Qualified Mediator), UNIFAM, Sydney, Australia
1997 - 1999	Master of Social Work (Grade: Distinction), UNSW, Australia
1989 - 1992	Bachelor of Social Work, UNSW, Australia

PRACTICE AREAS AND SELECTION OF CASES

Human Rights

Administrative Law

Coronial Inquests

Corporations Law

Equity and Trusts

Employment Law

International Law

Children and Family Law

Commissions of Inquiry and Tribunals

Commercial Law

Succession Law (family provision and probate)

Criminal Law

SELECTION OF CASES

Inquests and Commissions of Inquiry

Inquest into the death of Samih Zraika (Unled)

Inquest into the death of Melissa Standen (Unled)

Inquest into the death of Anthony Cawsey (Unled)

Inquest into the death of Heidi Cox (Unled)

International Law

Rojas v United States of America [2019] FCA 22 (Led by Dr Christopher Ward SC)

Arthur & Secretary, Department of Family & Community Services and Anor [2017] FamCAFC 111 (Led by Dr Christopher Ward SC)

Bates & Arthur And Anor [2017] FamCAFC 3 (Led by Dr Christopher Ward SC)

Dept of Family & Community Services & Arthur [2017] FAMCA 204 (Unled)

Secretary, Department of Family and Community Services & Arthur [2016] FAMCA 1119 (Unled)

Administrative Law

GZCK and Minister for Home Affairs (Migration) [2019] AATA 656 (5 April 2019) (Unled)

ACL17 v Minister for Immigration & Anor [2018] FCCA 3191 (21 December 2018) (Unled)

Commercial Law

Carmelo Adriano Mastronardo v Commonwealth Bank of Australia trading as BankWest [2017] NSWSC 1052 (Led by Robert Angyal, SC)

Heard McEwan Pty Ltd v G Zanetti Pty Ltd [2017] NSWCATAP 213 (Unled)

Equity and Succession Law (family provision and probate)

Riva NSW Pty Ltd v Key Nominees Pty Ltd [2016] NSWSC 1569 (Led by Richard Parsons)

The Estate of Colleen McCullough [2018] NSWSC 1126 (Led by Kim Morrissey)

Estate MPS, deceased [2017] NSWSC 482 (Led by Kim Morrissey)

Criminal Law

Jimenez v R [2017] NSWCCA 1 (Led by Sophie Callan)

R v Fang (No. 2) [2016] NSWSC 1784 (Amicus Curiae led by Paul Bolster)

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

Scholarships:	Peter Duffy Human Rights Scholarship , The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, 2011 Hardwicke Entrance Scholarship , The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, 2011
Awards:	'Head of School Prize' for Best Second Year Postgraduate Law Student (highest marks) University of Brighton (2010) 'Oxford University Press Prize' for Best First Year Postgraduate Law Student (highest marks) University of Brighton (2009)
Achievements:	Vice President, Student Association , City Law School, City University (2010-2011) President for Postgraduate Student Association , University of Brighton (2009-2010) Finalist for Guardian Newspaper Free Debate Writing Competition , UK (2009)

SELECTION OF PUBLISHED WORK AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2018	Published article: Attitudes towards mental health, mental health research and digital interventions by young adults with type 1 diabetes: A qualitative analysis . Journal of Health Expectations: An International Journal of Public Participation in Health Care and Health Policy.
2016	Published article: Smoke and mirrors: unanswered questions and misleading statements obscure the truth about organ sources in China . Journal of Medical Ethics.
2015	Presented at the Australian Association for Adolescent Health Conference, Melbourne.
2015	Published Article: Transition, It's More Than Just an Event: Supporting Young People with Type 1 Diabetes . Journal of Pediatric Nursing, USA.
2015	Presented at the Society of Adolescent Health and Medicine Meeting, Los Angeles, USA
2015	Published Abstract: Transition, It's More Than Just a Phase: A New Model of Care in Australia . Journal of Adolescent Health, USA.
2014	Presented at Australian Disease Management Association Conference, Melbourne.
2014	Presented at 2 nd Biennial Australian Implementation Conference, Sydney.
2014	Presented at ARACY Linking Up For Kids Conference, Sydney.
2010	Book Review, Great Debates: Criminal Law by Jonathon Herring . The Law Teacher Journal.
2003 - 2000	Paper Presentation: Annual Social Workers in AIDS (SWAIDS) Conference, Australia
1999	Published Article and Presented Paper. <i>Sex Workers and Sexual Assault: the Hidden Crime</i> . Australian Institute of Criminology. Published Article: <i>Sex Work, Violence and The Law</i> , NSW Policing and Procedures Journal Published Printed Resource: Nine Lives: Surviving Sexual Assault in The Sex Industry .
1998	Published Article: <i>Sex Work, Feminism and Violence – The Need For Law Reform</i> , HIV/Legal Journal

PRO BONO PUBLICO AND LEGAL INTERNSHIPS

2018 - Present	Human Rights Committee, NSW Bar Association
2018 - Present	Management Committee, HIV/AIDS Legal Centre Inc. (HALC)
2015 - Present	Executive Management Committee, Australian Lawyers For Human Rights (ALHR)
2016 - Present	Australian Committee, International Coalition to End Transplant Abuse in China
2011 - 2015	Legal Intern, Bar Human Rights Committee of England and Wales
2014 - 2016	National Centre for Children and Youth Law Centre (NCYLC)
2010 - 2011	Liberty; McKenzie Friend, NCDV; London Innocence Project; and Human Rights Clinic

SOCIAL WORK EMPLOYMENT

2014 - 2016 - Australia

Manager, Trapeze, The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network

Responsible for managing a team of health care specialists delivering clinical and support services to young people with chronic conditions and disabilities, with a special focus on youth mental health. Financial responsibility of a \$1.98 million budget.

2004-2006 | 2009 -2011 | 2012 - 2013 - United Kingdom

Senior Social Worker (Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol, Child Protection, HIV), Locum, Various Organisations

Responsibilities: child protection assessments, family assessments, attending child protection conferences, reports for mental health tribunal, attending tribunal hearings, mental health assessments and aged care assessments.

2001- 2004 - Australia

Consulting and Counselling Service, Sydney Australia (P/T)

Private practice: individual, couple and family therapy practice, specialising in mental health, drug and alcohol and domestic violence. Consulting clients: NSW Health, ACON and Erin's Place Women's Refuge.

1997 - 2004 - Australia

Anti-Violence Project Officer and Consultant, SWOP, Sydney, Australia (P/T)

Educated and trained sex workers on their legal rights and police reporting; trained the NSW Police Service on how to respond to sex workers when reporting a sexual assault; and trained agency staff working in victim support.

1999 - 2001 - Australia

Individual, Couple and Family Therapist, Relationships Australia, Australia (P/T)

Mediation services for the NSW Family Law Courts and counselling services to individuals, couples and families, specialising in mental health, drug and alcohol and domestic violence.

1996-2001 - Australia

Social Worker and Consultant, Kirketon Road Centre, Sydney, Australia (P/T)

Provided social work services to those injecting drugs, misuse of drugs, dual diagnosis of mental health, and high-risk groups of people such as the homeless, those coming out of prison and street-based sex workers. Facilitated the strategic business planning days for all staff at KRC.

1995 - 1997 - United Kingdom

Social Worker, Mental Health and Vulnerable Adults Teams, Social Services, UK

Social work services to vulnerable adults, those with mental health and those with learning disabilities, drug and alcohol issues, and high-risk groups of people including the homeless, those coming out of prison.

1992-1995 - Australia

Social Worker, Mental Health Acute Services and CMHT, Sydney, Australia

Case management of those with a serious mental health issue, reports for mental health tribunals and attending tribunal hearings, and mental health assessments.