

Louise Clegg

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Barrister

A barrister specialising in public law and workplace relations, Louise has appeared in most New South Wales and Federal Courts and tribunals, including administrative, industrial and anti-discrimination tribunals.

Louise has particular experience in the federal jurisdiction and appellate advocacy. She has conducted over one hundred Federal Court appeals, many of them appeals from the Federal Circuit Court. She has also appeared in a number of appeals before the Full Federal Court, both led and un-led. Louise has also appeared as junior counsel in the New South Wales Court of Appeal and in the High Court in public law matters with leading public law silks. She has appeared in hundreds of judicial review cases in the Federal Circuit Court.

In the public law aspect of her practice Louise has appeared mostly for government interests, although she also acts for individual and corporate interests. In workplace relations Louise appeared most often for employer interests but has also appeared for individuals.

Louise also provides advice to private and government interests in a range of matters relating to judicial review, appeals, corporate crime, industrial relations and professional conduct. She has experience in conducting private workplace inquiries and resolving workplace relations and discrimination disputes.

Throughout her career Louise has taken on pro bono matters in the fields of workplace relations, discrimination and migration.

Professional history

Barrister, 6 St James Hall and casual teacher at Australian National University

Louise practises as a barrister and teaches public law subjects including Commonwealth Constitutional Law and Public Law at ANU. present

Barrister, Sixth Floor Selborne Chambers and 6/11 St James Hall Chambers

2001 - 2012

After topping the New South Wales Bar entrance examinations in 2000, Louise commenced practice at the New South Wales Bar in 2001. From 2001 - 2012 she practised full time at the New South Wales Bar.

University of New South Wales, lecturer 2002- 2003
In 2002 and 2003 Louise lectured in the subjects of Evidence Law and Litigation at the University of New South Wales.

Solicitor/Senior Associate, Clayton Utz 1994 - 2000
Louise commenced her legal career at Clayton Utz. At Clayton Utz she worked in the commercial litigation and superannuation teams then settled long term into the workplace relations team. Louise practised as a solicitor for seven years in the Sydney, Canberra and Melbourne offices.

At Clayton Utz Louise provided advice and appeared in courts principally for employer interests. Louise acted for clients in employment disputes, anti-discrimination matters, contract negotiations, general employment litigation and major industrial disputes. She regularly appeared in courts and industrial tribunals as a solicitor advocate. At Clayton Utz Louise contributed disproportionately to the firm's pro-bono practice.

Education, professional participation and achievement

Member, Australian Association of Constitutional Law	
present	
NSW Bar Association Public Law Section participant	present
Mentor/tutor to pupil readers and new barristers	2010 -2012
Member of the Bar News Committee	2007–2008
Member of Bar Entrance Examination Committee (responsible for Evidence examination)	2003 – 2007
Blashki Prize for highest score in Bar Entrance Examinations	2000
Bachelor of Laws, University of Sydney	1992
The Phillips Fox Women's College prize for academic excellence in law	1991
Bachelor of Arts (major in Government), University of Sydney	1990
School Captain, Hurlstone Agricultural High School	1986

Selected publications, papers, opinion

'The implied obligation of mutual trust and confidence: not all it's cracked up to be'.

Paper delivered at the inaugural Australian Labour Law Association Conference. 2004

'Court of Appeal v Industrial Relations Commission', Bar News, Summer 2004/2005 2005

'Can there be a New Era of Industrial Relations? A historical and constitutional analysis of the move towards a national industrial relations regime' (2006) 17 Public Law Review 97
2006

Paper correctly predicting constitutional validity of the Workchoices legislation delivered at the
2006 Gilbert & Tobin Centre for Public Law Annual Conference. 2006

Anderson, Williams and Clegg. '*The New Law of Evidence: A Commentary and Annotation to the Uniform Evidence Act.*' Lexis Nexis, 2nd ed, 2009 (co-author of highly regarded Evidence text,
cited by the High Court.) 2009

'ABC could have fact-checked with Chairman Jim before judging Brandis', *The Australian*
May 5 2014

'ICAC oversteps integrity function in Cunneen corruption case', *The Australian*
February 27 2015

'Important questions remain unanswered in Cunneen case', *Sydney Morning Herald* April 16
2015

Personal

- Lives in near Goulburn, NSW
- Age 46 (born 29 October 1968)
- Married to Angus Taylor, with four children aged 16, 15, 13 and 10
- Involved in local community, including committee member of Goulburn Education Foundation, and mentor of young local school leavers embarking on tertiary studies
- Interests: reading, history, public policy, politics, writing and keeping fit

Referees

References available on request.