

CURRICULUM VITAE
BRETT F. CHARRINGTON

Barrister at Law

ADMISSION

Supreme Court of Queensland - 22 April 1996

High Court of Australia - 13 May 1996

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

Bachelor of Laws QUT 1995

Diploma - Australian Insurance Institute (as it then was) 1987 Accredited

Mediator under National Mediator Accreditation System (NMAS)

PRACTICE AREAS

Common law - Personal injury Dust diseases

Inquests and commissions of inquiry

Institutional child abuse

Professional negligence

Workers' compensation

TRIALS & APPEALS COMPLETED TO JUDGMENT

Mourilyan v DML Resources Pty Ltd [1998] QDC 299

Klaehn v Australian Meat Holdings [1999] QDC 102

Free v Australian Meat Holdings [1999] QDC 357

Ward v BBC Hardware (Unreported: 1999, Ipswich District Court, Clare ADCJ)

Finch v L R & M Constructions (Qld) Pty Ltd [1999] QDC 444

[McDonnell v Green & Anor](#) [2002] QDC 300

[James v Gold Coast City Council](#) [2003] QCA 221

[Joynson v State of Queensland](#) [2004] QSC 154

Osterlund v Dewar (Unreported: Brisbane District Court, 2004, Wylie DCJ)

[Hobbs v Wapshott](#) [2005] QSC 359

McDonald v Baguilat (Unreported: Griffin SC DCJ)

[Pozzebon v Ajay Fibreglass Industries Pty Ltd](#) [2007] QDC 226

[Pollard v Trude](#) [2008] QSC 119

[Hare v Mount Isa Mines Ltd](#) [2008] QCA 328

[Hare v Mount Isa Mines Limited](#) [2009] 2 Qd R 408

[Hare v Mount Isa Mines Limited \(No. 2\)](#) [2009] QCA 137
[Griffiths v State of Queensland](#) [2010] QSC 290
[Griffiths v State of Queensland](#) [2011] QCA 57
[Robertson v Vlahos & Anor](#) [2011] QCA 243
[Gilmour v State of Queensland](#) [2013] QDC 199
[Simmons v Wanless & Anor](#) [2014] QDC 042
[Pollock v Thiess Pty Ltd & Ors \(No. 2\)](#) [2014] QSC 095
[Tawera v BDS Recruit Pty Ltd & Anor](#) [2014] QDC 167
[Packer v Tall Ships Sailing Cruises Australia P/L & Anor](#) [2014] QSC 212
[Callaghan v Simon Blackwood \(Workers' Compensation Regulator\)](#) [2015] QIRC 147
[Digby v The Compass Institute Inc & Anor](#) [2015] QSC 308
[Sinclair v Sunshine Coast Independent Living Service Inc](#) [2016] QSC 063
[Pere v Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service](#) [2017] QDC 002
[Clayton v Jetcrete Oz Pty Ltd](#) [2017] QDC 003
[Maraki v Interport Cargo Services Pty Ltd](#) [2017] QDC 26
[Lee v Lee & Ors](#) [2017] QSC 42
[Lyschrome Pty Ltd v Peter Cusato Transport](#) [2017] QDC 162
[Eastment v State of Queensland](#) [2017] QDC 201
[Inghams Enterprises Pty Ltd v Tat](#) [2018] QCA 182
[Eastment v State of Queensland](#) [2018] QCA 253
[Lee v Lee & Anor](#) [2018] QCA 104
[Parkinson v Bullamon \(St George\) Pty Ltd](#) [2018] QCA 344
[Bryant v Competitive Foods Australia Pty Ltd & Ors](#) [2018] QDC 258
[Corbin v State of Queensland](#) [2019] QSC 110
[Bergin v Queensland Cork & Timber Solutions Pty Ltd](#) [2019] QDC 141
[Lee v Lee & Ors](#) [2019] HCA 28
[Armstrong-Waters v State of Queensland](#) [2020] QDC 66
[Manton v Harris & Anor](#) [2020] QSC 102
[Harris v Manton & Anor](#) [2002] QSC 101
[Peebles v WorkCover Queensland](#) [2020] QSC 106
[Pearce v Prescare](#) [2021] QDC 149
[Peebles v WorkCover Queensland](#) [2021] QCA 21
[Walker v Greenmountain Food Processing Pty Ltd](#) [2020] QSC 329
[Day & Anor v Woolworths Group Limited & Ors](#) [2021] QCA 42

SIGNIFICANT MATTERS

- Counsel for the Master Farriers Association of New South Wales and five transport companies at the Commission of Inquiry into the Outbreak of Equine Influenza, Sydney, November 2007 - April 2008.
- Junior Counsel for Xstrata companies in litigation relating to alleged lead poisoning of children in the Mount Isa region.
- Multiple oral examinations (bedside hearings) in dust disease matters as counsel for plaintiffs, manufacturers and as court appointed examiner.
- Counsel for various institutions in historical child sexual abuse cases.
- Counsel for the State of Queensland in employment assault cases involving prison officers, hospital workers and police officers.
- Junior Counsel for RACQ Insurance Limited at trial, in the Court of Appeal and in the High Court in *Lee v Lee & Ors*.
- Counsel for MiCare Ltd at the Royal Commission into Aged Care Quality and Safety in 2019.

AWARDS

Doyle's Guide Leading Insurance Junior Counsel

- 2016 - Preeminent
- 2017 - Leading
- 2018 - Preeminent
- 2019 – Preeminent

CORONIAL INQUESTS

Justin Drew Innes

Isabella Wren Diefenbach

Pekka Tuppurainen

Nicholas Johnson

PAPERS

- APLA Intensive 2002 - Analysis of the newly enacted *Personal Injuries Proceedings Act 2002*
- APLA State Conference 2003 - Occupier's/Public Liability Case Review for 2002
- APLA Intensive 2003 - *Personal Injuries Proceedings Act* Transitional Provisions Analysis

- APLA State Conference 2004 - Motor Vehicle Law: Recent Developments in Liability, Damages and Procedure
- LexisNexis Personal Injury Conference 2004 - Analysis of the Injury Scale Values Table
- ALA State Conference 2005 - *Civil Liability Act* - Damages Provisions Analysis and Review
- ALA Intensive 2006 - *Civil Liability Act* - Injury Scale Values Case Review
- LexisNexis Personal Injury Conference 2006 - *Civil Liability Act* - Amendments and Case Review
- ALA Seminar 2008 - Workers' Compensation Statutory Claims Case Review
- Legalwise Seminar 2008 - The Law of Health - Valid Consent and Informed Decision Making (medical treatment)
- LexisNexis Wills & Estates Conference 2009 - Family Provision Mediations
- ALA Intensive 2009 - UCPR Expert Evidence Rules Case Review
- Legalwise Personal Injury Round Up 2010 - *Personal Injuries Proceedings Act* Review
- Legalwise Personal Injury Round Up 2012 - Asbestos Litigation Review
- Queensland Law Society Annual Personal Injuries Conference 2013 - Forensic Accountant Evidence Review.

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- *Plaintiff 2002* - Surf Related Litigation, Keeping Your Case Between the Flags
- *Plaintiff 2003* - Foreseeability and Causal Links: Golf Litigation

BAR ASSOCIATION

- Co-author, BAQ Submissions to the Attorney General in relation to the *Civil Liability & Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2009*
- Co-convenor Practice and Procedure Committee (2010 - 2013)
- Co-author, BAQ submissions to the Attorney-General in relation to the *Civil Liability & Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018*

PREVIOUS WORK HISTORY

AMP Fire & General Insurance Co Ltd and related agencies (general insurance underwriting) 1985 - 1991