# 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

Kleeman v The Star Entertainment Group Limited [2022] QCA 119

Margarey v Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service [2022] QCA 189

Gardiner v Doerr [2022] QSC 188

Mason v State of Queensland [2023] QDC 80

Mason v State of Queensland No 2 [2023] QDC 122

Lee v Star Aged Living Limited [2023] QSC 49

ADA v State of Queensland [2023] QSC 159

Doerr v Gardiner [2023] QCA 160

## **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.

## **CORONIAL INQUESTS**

Justin Drew Innes
Isabella Wren Diefenbach
Pekka Tuppurainen
Nicholas Johnson
Christopher Ian Powell

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## **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