

# Liam Meagher

## Professional Experience

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- 2022 - **6 St James Hall Chambers**, Barrister  
Employment and industrial, public and administrative, discrimination, work health and safety, class actions, civil and commercial litigation disputes.
- 2016-2022 **Clayton Utz**, Lawyer and Senior Associate, Employment Law and Commercial Litigation
- 2011-2016 **Australian Government Solicitor**, Summer Clerk, Graduate and Lawyer, Dispute Resolution – Employment and Compensation
- 2010 **North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency**, Aurora Project Intern
- 2009-2012 **Macquarie Legal Centre**, Tenants' Advocate and Volunteer

## Academic Record

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- 2020 Master of Laws, University of Melbourne
- 2012 Bachelor of Arts – Psychology / Bachelor of Laws (First Class Honours), Macquarie University:
- First Class Honours
  - First place in Remedies
  - First place in Property in Law and Equity II.

## Selected cases and briefs

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*EJX v The University of Newcastle* [2023] NSWCATAP 330 (internal NCAT appeal – privacy – administrative law) - unled – instructed by Hicksons Lawyers

*Brown v Action Industrial Catering Pty Ltd* [2023] FedCFamC2G 1157 (adverse action – discrimination) - led by J Darams – instructed by FCB Lawyers and Consultants

*Macatangay v State of New South Wales* [2023] NSWCA 238 (application to set aside vexatious proceedings orders) – unled – instructed by Hall & Wilcox

*Clarke v Pacific National Services Pty Ltd* [2023] FCA 699 (alleged contractual agreement to terminate employment by reason of redundancy) – led by V Bulut - instructed by Seyfarth Shaw

*EJX v University of Newcastle* [2023] NSWCATAD 228 (privacy – administrative law) – unled – instructed by Hicksons Lawyers

*Macatangay v Secretary, Department of Education* [2023] NSWCATAP 132 (appeal of administrative review decision – *Vexatious Proceedings Act 2008* (NSW)) – unled - instructed by Hall & Wilcox

*FMX v Children's Guardian* [2023] NSWCATAD 203 (administrative law - *Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012* (NSW) – working with children check clearance) – unled – instructed by the Crown Solicitor

*Financial Services Union v Commonwealth Bank of Australia* (NSD39/2022) (entitlement to paid breaks) – led by J Bourke KC, J Firkin KC, N Burmeister, and E Levine - instructed by Clayton Utz

*Webb v Northshore Care Rentals Pty Ltd* (NSWLC, 2022/00305977) (long service leave – dismissal on account of illness) – unled - instructed by Tom Howard Legal

*Nguyen v The Vietnamese Community in Australia NSW Chapter Incorporated* [2022] FWC 3332;

*Dang v The Vietnamese Community in Australia NSW Chapter Incorporated* [2022] FWC 3341 (unfair dismissal – alleged redundancy) – unled - instructed by Thuan Nguyen & Associates

*Delta Agribusiness Pty Ltd v Hunt* (NSWSC, 2022/00172737) (restraint of trade) – led by R Goot SC and V Bulut - instructed by Australian Business Lawyers & Advisors

*Fordham v Commonwealth Bank of Australia and Ors* (VID387/2020) (class action regarding consumer credit insurance) – led by N Young SC, I Ahmed, K Loxley, and P Kulevski - instructed by Clayton Utz

*Zou v Superway Pty Ltd* [2021] FedCFamC2G 144 (underpayments – security for costs) – solicitor advocate

*Woolworths Group Ltd* [2020] FWC 5018 (approval of enterprise agreement) – solicitor advocate

*Pittard v Australian Catholic University* (2020, NSW Local Court) (redundancy and termination entitlements) – solicitor advocate

## Publications

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| 2023 | <i>Halsbury's Laws of Australia – Employment</i> (Updating Author)  |
| 2022 | <a href="#">‘Employment Class Actions – Past Use and Present Utility’ No. 4 UNSW Law Journal Forum</a>  |
| 2020 | ‘De Belin v ARLC – the reasonableness of suspending an employee awaiting a criminal trial’, 25(7) <i>Employment Law Bulletin</i> 76 (with Natalie Antoon) |
| 2019 | <a href="#">‘Should physical features discrimination be prohibited?’</a> (LLM Thesis, The University of Melbourne)  |
| 2018 | <a href="#">‘Whistleblower laws: The other employment law’</a> (LLM Thesis, The University of Melbourne)  |
| 2017 | ‘Australian courts’ approaches to unconscious direct discrimination and adverse action’ 30 <i>Australian Journal of Labour Law</i> 1                      |
| 2017 | ‘Employers’ duties to consult prior to redundancies’ 23(9) <i>Employment Law Bulletin</i> 110 (with Daniel Tracey)  |
| 2016 | ‘A Plug for the ACT’s Workplace Protections Orders’ 22(9) <i>Employment Law Bulletin</i> 254  |
| 2012 | <a href="#">‘Assessing the role of family consultants when providing evidence in parenting disputes’</a> 10 <i>Macquarie Law Journal</i> 85               |

## Recognition

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