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## **Practice**

Admitted to practice as a barrister in all Courts of Australia since 2008, I accept briefs in all areas of law.

My principal areas of practice are:

- Family law work, advising and appearing in both parenting and property disputes and associated Apprehended Domestic Violence proceedings
- Commercial work, appearing and advising in diverse matters including real property, local government and planning, corporations and insolvency law
- Equity
- Sports law.

## **Awards/Appointments**

- Director of Olympic Winter Institute of Australia (1998-2002, 2014 – present);
- Appointed to Australian Olympic Committee panel for National Federation Appeal's Tribunal (2009 to present);
- Appointed to Football NSW Appeals Tribunal (2012 to present);
- NSW Bar Association councillor (2010- 2013);
- Chair of Health Sports & Recreation Committee (2010- 2014);
- 2007 - Awarded Order of Australia Medal for charitable works and contribution to sport;
- 1989 – 2002 - Professional Athlete (Four Time Winter Olympian, 1999 Gold Medal, World Ski Championships Vail USA, 1998 Bronze Medal Winter Olympic Games, Nagano, Japan)

## **Matters and Appearances include (selection only – \*unreported case names redacted for privacy)**

### **Family Law**

- *S v M\** (2013-2014): Family Court, Sydney, transfer from Federal Circuit Court, property and parenting proceedings, property proceedings settled, successful dismissal of ADVO application, international relocation application, sole parental responsibility application.
- *D v G\** (2013-2014): Family Court, Sydney, division of property proceedings involving complex issues of company valuation, directors' loans, company dividends, taxation implication, property

and share portfolio of parties, liquidation of company, complex negotiations as to form of orders, settled at Conciliation Conference.

- *Masters v Newton* [2013] FamCAFC 118: led by Dr M Perry QC as Her Honour then was, successful appeal for rehearing of parenting and relocation application, assessment of whether 'significant and substantial time' reasonably practicable in particular circumstances.
- *W v K\** (2013): Federal Circuit Court, application to amend Final Orders, *Rice v Asplund* threshold.
- *L v Z\** (2013): Federal Circuit Court, settled at final hearing, application for final parenting and property orders.
- *Masters v Newton* [2012] FamCAfam 1412: application for parenting and relocation orders, particular issues relating to mental health, employment and financial circumstances.
- *P v P\** (2012): Family Court of Australia, Sydney, application for final parenting and property orders, settled at final hearing.
- *L v L\** (2012): Family Court, application for final property orders, settled at end of first day, set down for 3 days, long marriage, adult children, duty to maintain, issues of contributions arising out of personal expertise, dissipation of matrimonial assets (gambling addiction).
- *T v M\** (2012) Family Court: application for final property orders, settled on first hearing day.
- *Sofous v Cethenes* [2012] FamCA 754: successful application for orders for costs in property proceedings, including orders for costs against third party.
- *Ramon v Quigley* [2012] FamCA: costs of family law property proceedings, setting aside costs assessment order.
- *Sofous v Cethenes* [2012] FamCA 188: Property proceedings, issues relating to inclusion of property held in resulting or constructive trust, identification of loans from third parties, allegations of domestic violence, mental illness, appointment of case guardian, non compliance with procedural orders, extended proceedings over 3 years, including transfer of proceedings from Sydney to Melbourne registry of Family Court of Australia.
- Numerous Local Court Apprehended Domestic Violence proceedings arising from Family Law proceedings.

## **Commercial Law**

- *Workplace Safety Australia Pty Ltd v Simple OHS Solutions Pty Ltd* [2014] NSWCA 115: unled for the respondent on the appeal, applicant on the motion, successful application for stay of enforcement of judgment.

- *Workplace Safety Australia Pty Ltd v Simple OHS Solutions Pty Ltd* [2014] NSWCA 55: unled for the respondent on the appeal and the motion, security for costs application.
- *Erebus Motorsports V8 Pty Ltd & Stone Brothers Racing Pty Ltd v Shane Van Gisbergen*: (2013-current), Federal Court, Sydney, led by T A Alexis SC, restraint of trade, misleading and deceptive conduct.
- CAS 2013/A/3415 Chantelle Kerry v Ice Skating Australia: appeal against non selection for Sochi Winter Olympic Games, appearing for Ice Skating Australia, issues of AOC nomination criteria and International Skating Union Constitution and General Regulations.
- *Workplace Safety Australia Pty Ltd v Simple OHS Solutions Pty Ltd* [2013] NSWSC 1936: led by T A Alexis SC, breach of contract and characterisation of a contract, validity of termination, estoppel, misleading and deceptive conduct, characterisation of contract, application of industry Codes of Conduct, Franchising Code of Conduct.
- *Tanlane Pty Ltd v Moorebank Recyclers Pty Ltd* (NSW Supreme Court)(2013): led by T S Hale SC, remitter from NSW Court of Appeal on question of compensation assessment to enable grant of easement, settled on final day of hearing.
- *Moorebank Recyclers Pty Ltd v Liverpool City Council (No.2)* [2013] NSWLEC 93: led by T S Hale SC, joinder to s.88K application for easement against Liverpool City Council.
- *Tanlane Pty Ltd v Moorebank Recyclers Pty Ltd* [2012] NSWCA 445: led by T S Hale SC for respondents, appeal from grant of easement over land, appeal dismissed.
- *Psaltis v Psaltis* (2012), NSW Supreme Court: led by T A Alexis SC, fiduciary obligations and matters of undue influence arising out of special relationship, settled on second day of hearing.
- *Greater Union Organisation Pty Ltd v Woolhara Municipal Council* [2012] NSWLEC 1268: led by T S Hale SC, appeal to modify development consent.
- *Professional Public Relations Pty Ltd v Harbridge Capital Pty Ltd (No.2)* (2012): NSW Supreme Court, led by T A Alexis SC for the plaintiff, specific performance, implied terms of contracts and breach of contract, settled.
- *Tanlane Pty Ltd v Moorebank Recyclers Pty Ltd* [2011] NSWSC 1286: led by T S Hale SC for plaintiff, application for grant of easement over land for commercial development of land granted.
- *Great Lakes Pty Ltd v Bank of Western Australia Pty Ltd* (2011), NSWSC: led by T A Alexis SC, instructed by Hazan Hollander & Associates, construction of contract, waiver, estoppel, election, relief against forfeiture, settled shortly before final hearing.
- *Professional Public Relations Pty Ltd v Harbridge Capital Pty Ltd* (2010): NSW Supreme Court, led by T A Alexis SC, re Specific performance and breach of contract, settled.

- Numerous National Federation appeal tribunals (as member of tribunal and as counsel for party) on issues of application of By Laws and selection criteria resulting in non-selection to Australian Olympic Game team.