### **BENJAMIN CAMPBELL**

**BARRISTER AT LAW** 

YEAR OF ADMISSION: 2019 YEAR OF CALL: 2025

Benjamin accepts briefs in all areas of law in the State and Federal Courts. He has advised and acted on behalf of public and private corporations, State and Federal Government agencies, group members, and individuals.

He has experience in class actions, funded litigation, general corporate and commercial disputes, building and construction, bankruptcy and insolvency, disciplinary, public law and judicial review, intellectual property, and planning and environment, and a personal interest and expertise in insurance claims and litigation.

Before going to the bar, Benjamin practised as a solicitor at MinterEllison in Disputes, Competition and Insurance, and at Piper Alderman in funded commercial litigation.

He also worked as a Judge's Associate to the former Chief Magistrate of Queensland; a Judge of the District and Planning and Environment Courts of Queensland; and a Justice of the Federal Court of Australia.

Benjamin authors the case notes on recent High Court of Australia decisions selected by the editor of the Incorporated Council of Law Reporting (Queensland) for publication in the weekly Queensland Law Reporter.

He is also bilingual and speaks fluent French, having obtained his formal C2 qualifications in France in 2015, and accepts briefs where that level of fluency is required.





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#### Career

2025 -	Barrister, North Quarter Lane Chambers
2022 - 2024	Associate, MinterEllison: Disputes, Competition and Insurance
2021 – 2022	Lawyer, Piper Alderman: Dispute Resolution and Litigation (Funded Litigation and Class Actions)
2020	Associate to the Hon Justice A P Greenwood, Federal Court of Australia
2018 – 2019	Associate to his Honour Judge Andrews SC and his Honour Judge Rinaudo AM, District Court of Queensland

# **Education and Qualifications**

2024 – Master of Laws Student, Australian National University
 2019 Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice, Australian National University
 2019 Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws (Hons), University of Queensland UQ Merit Scholarship
 2015 DALF C2 (bilingual mastery of French), Centre International d'Etudes Pédagogiques (French Government), Lorient, France
 C2 is the highest level of language proficiency officially recognized under the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL)
 2011 QCE, ATAR 99.90, Brisbane Grammar School
 Lilley Silver Medal, Australian Student Prize, Queensland Debating Team

## Select matters and experience – as counsel

- appeared unled in the Supreme Court of Queensland as counsel for applicants seeking a statutory right of user in the form of an an easement by right of way over a driveway between adjacent properties pursuant to s 180 of the *Property Law Act 2023* (Qld)
- appeared unled in the Supreme Court of Queensland as counsel opposing applications for security for costs and for production of documents referred to in a pleading in large commercial list proceedings arising from a dispute over gold mining leases
- acted as junior counsel in a large team in Supreme Court proceedings relating to alleged environmental contamination from PFAS chemicals in fire-fighting foam at an airport
- appeared for a debtor opposing a creditor's petition in the Federal Circuit Court
- appeared in the Magistrates Court for a property developer alleged to have contravened an enforcement notice for development works conducted without the requisite approvals
- appeared as counsel for a claimant at a compulsory conference seeking damages from WorkCover Queensland for personal injury arising from an incident on a rural property
- advised law firm regarding excess insurer's refusal to indemnify in high quantum claim alleging professional negligence against solicitors

## Select matters and experience – as a solicitor

### BANKRUPTCY AND INSOLVENCY

• appeared in the Supreme Court of Queensland for an applicant seeking the winding up of a company on the just and equitable ground

- instructed counsel in the Supreme Court of Queensland on behalf of a liquidator opposing an application to transfer the proceedings interstate under cross-vesting legislation: *Strata Voting Pty Ltd (in liq) v Axios IT Pty Ltd & Anor* [2022] QSC 32
- acted in the Supreme Court of South Australia for a liquidator in complex funded litigation
  claiming breach of an express term of good faith and equitable fraud against a developer
  which allegedly sold software at an undervalued price to a company, which the developer
  had caused to be incorporated, to minimise the proceeds of sale payable to the plaintiff

## **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION**

- acted in several large proceedings in state Supreme Courts where insurers of a head contractor sought to recover the cost of rectification works from engineers, certifiers, architects and other parties responsible for the design, approval and construction of buildings with combustible cladding
- acted in the Supreme Court of Queensland on behalf of villa owners seeking rectification or damages from builder and insurer for defective reinstatement works after a cyclone

## **CLASS ACTIONS**

- acted in the Supreme Court of Queensland for shareholders in ASX listed fund management company alleging breaches of continuous disclosure obligations and misleading and deceptive conduct by representations made as to the value of assets under management
- acted in the Supreme Court of Queensland for lead applicant challenging privilege asserted over documents produced under *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) s 247A to investigate prospective class action: *Furniss v Blue Sky Alternative Investments Limited (No 3)* (2021) 7 QR 426; [2021] QSC 230
- acted in the Federal Court of Australia for electricity consumers alleging misuse of market power by two government owned corporations causing the inflation of electricity prices
- acted for group members in representative proceedings where defendants challenged funding agreement on basis it constituted an unregistered managed investment scheme: Stanwell Corporation Limited v LCM Funding Pty Ltd [2021] FCA 1430; LCM Funding Pty Ltd v Stanwell Corporation Limited [2022] FCAFC 103
- acted in the Federal Court of Australia for shareholders in ASX listed company alleging breaches of continuous disclosure obligations and misleading and deceptive conduct for representations made as to the safety of Dreamworld prior to a high-profile fatal accident

### **DISCIPLINARY**

- advised racing body on several high-profile disciplinary prosecutions of corruption, drug and other offences by owners and trainers
- instructed King's Counsel in the Court of Appeal on behalf of a sporting disciplinary body appealing a finding of procedural unfairness: *Queensland Racing Integrity Commission v Endresz* [2024] QCA 76
- instructed counsel in the Racing Appeals Panel on behalf of the respondent to an appeal against a finding of corruption: RAP-36, *Matthew Evans*, Greyhound 28 August 2023

## **INSURANCE**

- advised large public and private clients on technical questions arising under the *Insurance Contracts Act 1984* (Cth) and questions of indemnity
- acted for public and private clients, insurers and institutions in sensitive insurance claims arising out of the removal of the limitation period following the *Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse*, where damages sought for psychiatric injury caused by sexual or serious physical abuse as a child
- acted for plaintiffs and defendants in professional negligence claims against solicitors, medical practitioners, engineers, accountants and financial services professionals
- acted for plaintiffs and defendants in personal injury claims

### **Publications**

Bampton, D.M., Campbell, B.W. (North Quarter Lane Chambers), 'Opt In' or be Locked Out?: HCA and Class Actions in Lendlease v Pallas, Bar Association of Queensland: Hearsay, Issue 100: June 2025, available online: https://hearsay.org.au/opt-in-or-be-locked-out/

Queensland Law Reporter, 22 August 2025 to present ([2025] 33 QLR - ). Author of the case notes on recent High Court decisions selected by the editor of the *Incorporated Council of Law Reporting (Queensland)* for publication in the weekly Queensland Law Reporter.