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Tertiary education: Australian National University
Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice, 2019

University of Queensland
Bachelor of Laws (Hons), 2018
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Professional experience:

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| October 2023-: | Barrister at Law |
| 2022-: | Sessional Academic, Queensland University of Technology |
| 2018-2024: | Reporter, Queensland Law Reporter (ICLRQ) |
| 2020-2023: | Lawyer/Associate (Dispute Resolution) MinterEllison |
| 2019-2020: | Associate to the Hon Justice JA Logan RFD, Federal Court of Australia Supreme & National Courts of PNG |
| 2017-2019: | Associate to a Senior Member, Administrative Appeals Tribunal |

Committee memberships: Vice President, Australian Institute of Administrative Law ("AIAL"), 2022-

National Board Member, AIAL, 2020-

Secretary, AIAL Queensland Chapter, 2020-

Selected cases

As Counsel

Class Actions

- Appearing for Stanwell Corporation Limited in an 11 week class action trial in the Federal Court defending a claim brought under s 46 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) (led by S Doyle KC, P Franco KC, M Barnes and J Menzies): *Stillwater Pastoral Co Pty Ltd v Stanwell Corp Ltd* [2024] FCA 1382.
- Appearing for one of the defendants in class action proceedings brought in the Supreme Court of Queensland in respect of the collapse of the Blue Dog Group (led by D O’Sullivan KC and K Dyon).

Competition Law

- Appearing for Ergon Energy Queensland Pty Ltd in judicial review proceedings seeking to set aside a statutory notice to produce issued by the Australian Energy Regulator (led by J McKenna KC): *Ergon Energy Queensland Pty Ltd v Australian Energy Regulator* [2025] FCA 541.
- Appearing for Stanwell Corporation Limited in an 11 week class action trial in the Federal Court defending a claim brought under s 46 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Cth) (led by S Doyle KC, P Franco KC, M Barnes and J Menzies): *Stillwater Pastoral Co Pty Ltd v Stanwell Corp Ltd* [2024] FCA 1382.
- Appearing in a misleading or deceptive conduct case in the Federal Court regarding the purchase of a phosphate mine (led by D Butler KC).
- Acting for a witness and respondent to a subpoena in a cartel conduct case brought by the ACCC in the Federal Court (led by D Forrester).

General Commercial Litigation

- Appearing for three defendants in Federal Court proceedings brought by ASIC seeking the appointment of receivers and asset preservation orders (led by G Handran KC).
- Acting for the purchaser of a mining-related business in multiple breach of warranty claims in the Queensland Supreme Court arising from a share sale agreement (led by S Webster KC).
- Acting for the builder/developer of an off-the-plan development on the Gold Coast in Queensland Supreme Court proceedings brought by purchasers of the development regarding the interpretation of the sunset clause provisions (led by D O’Brien KC).
- Acting for two former employees in Federal Court proceedings relating to unpaid employee entitlements and the validity of contractual restraints of trade (unled).
- Acting for the purchaser of a property in Queensland Supreme Court proceedings brought by another alleged purchaser of the property (led by M Jones KC).

- Appearing in an application for the appointment of a receiver in the Queensland Supreme Court in respect of judgment debts incurred by the Couran Cove Resort Community Body Corporate (led by D O'Brien KC).
- Appearing in Queensland District Court proceedings regarding the commission payable to a former contractor for an equipment hire business (led by C George).
- Acting for the Brisbane Bullets in proceedings relating to the alleged failure of a sponsor to pay agreed sponsorship amounts (unled).

Taxation and Revenue Law

- Acting for the Commissioner of State Revenue in proceedings brought by an entity seeking the payment of interest on a reassessment (led by H Lakis).
- Acting in the Queensland Court of Appeal for the Commissioner of State Revenue, appealing a first instance decision regarding the imposition of transfer duty arising from an alleged resale agreement (led by H Lakis).
- Acting for and advising the taxpayer in judicial review proceedings in the Queensland Supreme Court seeking to challenge a decision not to grant *ex gratia* relief in respect of landholder duty (led by H Lakis).
- Acting for the Commissioner of State Revenue in a tax appeal in the Queensland Supreme Court regarding transfer duty regarding the privatisation of significant State-owned assets (led by H Lakis).

Insolvency

- Appearing for the liquidator of a company in Queensland Supreme Court proceedings seeking to recover possession of vehicles allegedly leased to the liquidator and in a cross-claim brought by the liquidator alleging voidable transactions (led by B Wacker).
- Acting for the former directors of a company in voidable transaction claims brought by a liquidator (led by B Wacker).
- Acting for a party claiming an interest in property which had been disclaimed by a bankruptcy trustee under s 133 of the *Bankruptcy Act* 1966 (Cth) (unled).
- Appearing for various petitioning creditors in winding up and bankruptcy applications.

Building and Construction

- Acting for Hutchinsons Builders in Queensland Supreme Court proceedings regarding allegations of encroachment and trespass arising from the installation of rock anchors (unled).
- Appearing in an application for security for costs in the Supreme Court of Queensland relating to a building dispute (unled).
- Acting for a builder in NCAT proceedings regarding residential building works (unled).
- Acting in various building adjudications in Queensland, NSW and the Northern Territory.

- Acting for a homeowner in QCAT proceedings against the QBCC relating to decisions not to issue a direction to rectify and that the homeowner is not entitled to assistance under the Queensland Home Warranty Scheme (unled).

Administrative law

- Appearing for Ergon Energy Queensland Pty Ltd in judicial review proceedings seeking to set aside a statutory notice to produce issued by the Australian Energy Regulator (led by J McKenna KC): *Ergon Energy Queensland Pty Ltd v Australian Energy Regulator* [2025] FCA 541.
- Acting for (including advising and appearing for) the National Disability Insurance Agency in various proceedings in the Administrative Review Tribunal.
- Acting for the Commissioner of State Revenue in QCAT proceedings relating to the Homebuilder Grant (unled).
- Appearing for the Department of Transport and Main Roads in QCAT proceedings regarding the suspension of an Uber driver's driver authorisation.

As solicitor-advocate

- Appearing for Westpac Banking Corporation in a contested application for summary judgment to enforce a mortgage in the NSW Supreme Court before Beech-Jones CJ at Common Law (as his Honour then was): *Westpac Banking Corporation v Glynn* [2022] NSWSC 1770.
- Appearing for Westpac Banking Corporation in a contested application in the Queensland District Court for leave to issue an enforcement warrant for a tenanted property: *Westpac Banking Corporation v Adhikari* [2023] QDC 169.
- Appearing for Westpac Banking Corporation in a successful application to summarily dismiss an application for orders against the bank in family law proceedings.

Publications

- More than 230 case notes published in the *Queensland Law Reporter*.
- M Paterson, 'Fidelitas and Finality: When an Arbitrator is Functus Officio' [2025] *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly* 215.
- LexisNexis Court Forms, Precedents & Pleadings Queensland, Mortgages Chapter.
- DW Marks KC and M Paterson, 'Tax Law, Public Trust and Confidence in the Australian Tax System' (2023) 109 *AIAL Forum* 61.
- M Paterson, 'Without comparison? Addy v Commissioner of Taxation [2021] HCA 34 and non-discrimination clauses in double tax agreements' [2022] *British Tax Review* 12.
- M Paterson, 'Finally laying the Siskina to rest? Broad Idea International Ltd v Convoy Collateral Ltd [2021] UKPC 24 and expanding the court's power to grant freezing injunctions' [2022] *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly* 200.
- M Paterson, 'On Dom: The Antipodean Reform of the Law of Domicile and the Case for Revisiting Domicile Law Reform in the UK' (2021) *Oxford University Commonwealth Law Journal* DOI: 10.1080/14729342.2021.1990600.
- A Vella and M Paterson, 'Don't be Too Cool to Pool: Employee Entitlement Contribution Orders and Pooling Orders' (2020) 31(2) *Journal of Banking and Finance Law and Practice* 162.
- M Paterson, 'A Question of Capacity: Does the AAT Have the Power to Appoint Litigation Guardians?' (2020) 27 *Australian Journal of Administrative Law* 114, cited in:
 - Frances Simmons and Chantal Bostock, 'Administrative Review in Refugee Cases: the Impact of the Vulnerable Persons Guidelines and the Role of Legal Representatives' (2024) 47(2) *UNSW Law Journal* 448.
- M Paterson, 'Disclaimer Explainer: What are the Legal Consequences of Disclaimer of Real Property Under s 133 of the Bankruptcy Act 1966 (Cth)?' (2019) 30(4) *Journal of Banking and Finance Law and Practice* 318.
- M Paterson, 'R. (on the application of Derry) v HMRC: the first judicial steps forward from the Rewrite' [2019] 5 *British Tax Review* 599.
- M Paterson, 'Adventures on the administrative decision-making continuum: Reframing the role of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal' (2019) 96 *AIAL Forum* 65, cited in:
 - Jason Donnelly, 'The Administrative Continuum and Limits on Merits Review in Australia' (2024) 43(1) *University of Tasmania Law Review* 33;
 - *Kumar v Secretary, Department of Social Services* [2021] FCA 1662 (Logan J);
 - *DAJ22 as Litigation Representative for DAH22 v Minister for Immigration, Citizenship and Multicultural Affairs* [2023] FCA 1677 (Logan J).
- M Paterson, 'Treading a Delicate Line: Appellate Review and Misleading or Deceptive Conduct' (2019) 27 *Australian Journal of Competition and Consumer Law* 54.

- M Paterson ‘Res Judicata and the Administrative Appeals Tribunal: Re-opening the Case’ (2019) 30 *Public Law Review* 58, cited in:
 - *Council of the Law Society of New South Wales v Bucklet* [2023] NSWCATOD 180 (Deputy President Cole);
 - *Lee v Secretary, Department of Social Services* [2019] FCA 1855 (Rangiah J);
 - *Clinnick and ASIC* [2021] AATA 71 (Deputy President McCabe).
- A White and M Paterson, ‘Nuke Kid in Town: How Much Does the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons Actually Change?’ (2017) 24 *Pandora’s Box* 141.