

## **MARK DEMPSEY, SC**

### **ADMISSION TO PRACTICE**

- 2004 appointed as Senior Counsel (SC)
- 1988 admitted to the Bar
- 1983 admitted as a Solicitor

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- 2014 NMAS (Accredited Mediator)
- 2012 FCI Arb, FACICA (Arbitrator)
- 1982 BA/LLB (Hons) ANU



Mark is a very experienced and capable commercial advocate and an acknowledged leader in the field of construction law. He provides first class service with acuity, efficiency and flexibility. He has a deep knowledge of the law and vast experience in the conduct of commercial disputes from over 30 years of practice, 11 as Senior Counsel. Mark also practices as an Arbitrator (he is a Fellow of the CI Arb) and Mediator. In each capacity, he deploys the high end skill sets derived from his years of practice, throughout Australia and the Asia Pacific region, across the spectrum of commercial disputes, and through all dispute resolution procedures including litigation, international arbitration, expert determination and mediation. Mark enjoys working closely with his instructing attorneys and clients to achieve the optimal outcome in a cost effective manner.

### **PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE**

1982-1988 solicitor, Allen Allen & Hemsley (corporate, finance and litigation departments).

### **PRACTICE AS A BARRISTER**

Mark has a wide ranging commercial & equity and appellate practice with special expertise in construction, engineering and mining & infrastructure disputes. He has over 30 years of experience in commercial practice including 11 as Senior Counsel.

Mark has practised as counsel extensively in jurisdictions throughout Australia including the ACT, Victoria, Queensland, South Australia and Western Australia, and in Fiji.

### **AWARDS**

Lawyer Monthly's 'Building and Construction Barrister of the Year – Australia' 2015.

Noted as 'highly recommended as a leading practitioner for complex construction disputes' in Chambers & Partners Asia Pacific Guide 2015 and 2016,

Ranked as 'pre-eminent' in Leading Construction Barristers – NSW in in Doyles Guide 2015.

## **AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Mark's principal areas of practice are appellate, arbitration - commercial & international, commercial law, construction mining & resources, competition and consumer law, corporations & insolvency, employment, equity, insurance, mediation – domestic and international, and professional liability.

## **PRACTICE IN ARBITRATION**

Mark has extensive experience in arbitration (commercial and international), mediation and all forms of alternative dispute resolution.

Mark practices as an arbitrator and mediator in Australia, Singapore & Malaysia.

Mark is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb), a Fellow of ACICA, an arbitrator on the panels of ACICA and the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA).

Mark has been appointed to the Panels of Arbitrators approved by the ACCC for Disputes involving NBN Co, and by the NSW Government for land access arrangements under the Mining Act (NSW).

He is an accredited arbitrator, mediator and expert determiner with the NSW Bar Association.

## **PRACTICE IN MEDIATION**

Mark is a mediator accredited with the Supreme Court of NSW and under the Australian National Standards (NMAS), and a panel mediator of KLRCA.

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & ASSOCIATIONS**

Bar Associations of NSW and ACT, Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb), Fellow of Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (FACICA), member of International Council for Commercial Arbitration, Society of Construction Law (Australia & UK) (SoCL), and AMPLA (the Resources and Energy Law Association), and the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation.

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