

## **Natalie Polorotoff**

# **Special Counsel**

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### **OVERVIEW**

Natalie Polorotoff is a commercial litigation lawyer. Her particular focus is on professional liability, financial institutions and services litigation, property disputes and contractual disputes.

Natalie acts for a range of clients in the financial, insurance and professional services sectors.

She has appeared in the Federal Court of Australia, the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the District Court of New South Wales.

#### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Natalie worked at a national firm where she predominantly acted for financial institutions in a range of litigated disputes regarding mortgages and financial securities.

#### **EDUCATION**

- LL.B., Macquarie University, 2002
- B.A., Macquarie University, 2001

#### **ADMISSIONS**

Supreme Court of New South Wales

#### **AREAS OF FOCUS**

- Commercial Disputes
- Insurance Recovery and Counseling

#### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Defending professionals in a range of negligence claims arising from commercial transactions, property dealings, wills and probate, mortgage/security arrangements and trusts.
- Acting in litigated disputes concerning guarantees and indemnities.
- Acting for financial institutions in claims against valuers for negligence and misleading and deceptive conduct.
- Acting in professional disciplinary proceedings and defending litigated TPD claims.
- Acting for a major hospital in a variety of medical negligence claims.
- Acting for a financial institution in an application for leave to join the professional indemnity insurer of the defendant company in liquidation directly to the proceedings. The claimant sought to enforce a statutory charge over the insurance moneys in circumstances where the events giving rise to the claim occurred prior to the commencement of the policy.
- Acting for a financial institution in Federal Court of Australia proceedings involving a claim against a valuer for negligence and misleading and deceptive conduct - successfully obtained judgment in favour of the financial institution at first instance and on appeal.
- Acting for a Big 4 bank in complex Supreme Court of New South Wales proceedings involving loan recovery and security enforcement - settled on the basis that the financial institution recovered a significant proportion of the loan amount.
- Advising on and managing numerous litigated disputes regarding mortgages and financial securities.