



## Laura Pascoe

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## OVERVIEW

Laura Pascoe is a commercial litigation lawyer. She has experience in general liability, public liability, medical and general insurance indemnity advice.

Laura has acted for a large number of Victorian Public Health Organisations in the resolution of litigated and non-litigated claims. She routinely manages claims in the County and Supreme Court. She is also regularly involved in complaints to the Health Complaints Commissioner, the Australian Health Regulation Agency and the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal. Ms. Pascoe also has experience in advising on indemnity and construction issues and disputes under insurance policies.

Laura regularly attends regional and metropolitan hospitals as well as community service organisations to confer with staff and to investigate actual and potential claims.

Laura gained an insight into the needs of clients through a secondment to a Government Insurance organisation which provided her with a unique understanding of the demands and requirements of the client. She also completed a secondment to the Hazelwood Mine Fire Inquiry.

## PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Australian Insurance Lawyers Association member
- Victorian Women Lawyers member
- Women in Insurance member

## EDUCATION

- Master of Health and Medical Law, University of Melbourne, 2013
- B.Com, Monash University, 2007
- LL.B., Monash University, 2007 (*Honours*)

## ADMISSIONS

- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of Victoria

## AREAS OF FOCUS

- Complex Commercial Litigation and Disputes
- Insurance Recovery and Counseling

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Acting for a government department in a claim for breach of privacy by a self represented litigant.
- Assisting in the facilitation of a multi-million dollar settlement surrounding the dispute with reinsurers in regard to losses arising from a natural disaster.
- Assisting in the recovery of losses from a negligent party in proceedings parallel to a class action surrounding a natural disaster.
- Instructing at a Coronial Inquest for a public hospital in relation to the death of a patient who had individualised care needs.
- Instructing at a Coronial Inquest for a community service organisation surrounding the death of a disabled adult.
- Acting for the Department of Human Services and the State of Victoria in negligence claims in relation to the children under the care of the State.
- Successfully defending a claim on limitations brought in relation to the psychiatric care of a child at a major metropolitan hospital.
- Acting in wide variety of public liability claims for a number of government departments.
- Acting for Hospitals and Health services in the defence of claims in the County and Supreme Courts.
- Acting for a community care organisation in a claim surrounding illegal activities of its employee.
- Instructing at a Coronial Inquest for a public hospital where a young woman committed suicide after being discharged from their care.