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OVERVIEW

Jonathan Chan is a senior associate in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution group. He has experience in a range of disputes including contract, banking, financial regulatory, technology, tort, professional negligence, insurance and arbitration matters. He provides advice to a number of major Australian banks, Australian and foreign companies, state government agencies, insurers and not-for-profit organisations.

In addition to significant experience working with clients on complex commercial disputes, Jonathan also has a Master of Business Administration. His approach blends legal expertise with a strategic business perspective, ensuring that disputes are resolved in a manner that allows his clients to advance their businesses with confidence.

Jonathan's legal skills are also complemented by his well-developed understanding of IT systems. His combined knowledge of IT systems and litigation procedure allows him to expertly liaise with and guide clients through the often challenging process of capturing relevant material from clients' electronically stored information.

Jonathan also has an interest in upcoming and cutting edge technologies that assist legal practice to maximise efficiency and minimise cost. To that end, he has taken the initiative within the litigation and dispute resolution group to utilise and share innovative solutions to legal challenges, both strategic and routine. He is a member of the firm's Australian Innovation Committee.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Jonathan joined the firm as a graduate in 2016.

In 2021 and 2022, Jonathan was seconded to legal team at a large financial institution in Australia to assist with a class action proceeding.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Listed by *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Australia*™ for Litigation, 2023-2025
- Melbourne Business School, John Clemenger Memorial Prize (Dux of the School), 2023

- Melbourne Business School, Dean's Honours List (Award of Distinction), 2023
- Melbourne Business School, Dean's Commendation Awards for excellence
 - Negotiations, 2022
 - Business Strategy, 2022
 - Finance, 2022
 - Fintech and Blockchain, 2022
 - Operations, 2021
 - Managerial Economics, 2021
 - Financial Accounting, 2021
- K&L Gates, recipient of the Annual Innovation Award, 2020
- K&L Gates, recipient of the Quarterly Innovation Award, 2019

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Law Institute of Victoria member

EDUCATION

- Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, College of Law, Australia, 2016
- B.Com, Monash University, 2015
- LL.B., Monash University, 2015 (*Honours*)
- Master of Business Administration, Melbourne Business School, 2023

ADMISSIONS

- Federal Court of Australia
- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of Victoria

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- December 2016, Arbitration World

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Acting for Rio Tinto in a cross jurisdictional dispute with a US supplier.
- Acting for MaxiTRANS in respect of a dispute regarding the implementation of an Enterprise Resource Planning system.
- Advising Westpac General Insurance, defending significant personal injury and public liability matters.
- Assisting to provide advice to a Victorian State agency in respect of a dispute with an international IT service provider.
- Seconded to National Australia Bank to assist with the defence of a class action proceeding commenced against the trustee of a superannuation fund.
- Acting for Capitol South Yarra in respect of disputes regarding purchasers' obligations owed to Capitol South Yarra under contracts of sale.
- Assisting to provide advice to the Legal Practitioners Liability Committee, defending Victorian lawyers in professional negligence matters.
- Acting for an Australian regulator in respect of investigations in the financial services sector.
- Acting for one of Australia's leading audio visual wholesalers in a cross-jurisdictional dispute against a US supplier.
- Acting for a publicly listed mining company in an international arbitration regarding a contractual dispute.
- Acting for a major Australian bank in respect of enforcement of a contractual guarantee and code of banking practice issues.
- Assisting to provide advice to a major litigation funder in relation to the ASX listing rules.