



Kimberly Woods

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OVERVIEW

Kimberly Woods is a lawyer in the complex commercial litigation and disputes team. She has broad experience in a range of litigious, alternative dispute resolution and advisory matters. Her practice in particular focusses on insurance and medium to large litigation matters.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Kimberly joined K&L Gates in September 2019 and in 2020 she completed a secondment in the dispute resolution and regulatory investigations team of one of the firm's major banking clients. During her secondment, she was exposed to a wide range of complex banking matters that required efficient legal analysis.

Prior to joining K&L Gates, Kimberly was a lawyer at a mid-tier national law firm in the commercial disputes and insolvency team (and before that the insurance litigation team). Kimberly gained experience in debt recovery disputes, cyber fraud claims, stamp duty disputes, income protection disputes, professional indemnity disputes, investment scheme disputes, bankruptcy and insolvency matters.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Victorian Women Lawyers, member
- Law Institute of Victoria, member
- Previously - Victorian Women in Law Justice Committee, volunteer

EDUCATION

- LL.B., La Trobe University, 2015
- B.Soc.Sc., RMIT University, 2012
- Advanced Diploma of Legal Practice, RMIT University, 2010
- Supervised Workplace (Legal) Training, Leo Cussens Centre for Law, 2016

ADMISSIONS

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

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Complex Commercial Litigation and Disputes

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Acting for an Owners Corporation in respect of a dispute commenced in the Victorian Civil and Administrative Claims Tribunal.
- Assisting a startup company with assessing their prospects of success in litigation for poor service from external providers.
- Representing an individual in respect of a dispute concerning the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (Vic) and the construction of an "illegal road" on a neighboring property.
- Advising in respect of a defamation dispute involving an incorporated association.
- Supporting community interest by representing a not for profit organisation in a commercial dispute.
- Acting for Westpac General Insured Limited in defence of a significant personal injury claim.
- Acting for Victorian Managed Insurance Authority defending common law claims.
- Acting for Legal Practitioner's Liability Committee, the compulsory indemnity insurer of lawyers in Victoria, defending Victorian lawyers in professional negligence matters in all Victorian Jurisdictions.
- Acting for a publicly listed company on a dispute with an IT service management company in a claim for damages.