

WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Date of Birth: February 19, 1962

Nationality: Australian

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LLB., Melbourne University, 1990;
BA., (Hons), Monash University, Melbourne, 1985.

Registered Trade Mark Attorney;
Member of Victoria since 1992;
Admitted as Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria, 1991.

LANGUAGES

English

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PRESENT POSITION

Barrister, Victorian Bar since 1992.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Solicitor, G.W.P. Aarons & Co, 1987-99.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

IP including copyright, designs, patent, trade mark, passing off and confidential information;

Trade practices, Information Technology, Corporations Law, commercial and civil law, equity, insolvency law (corporate and personal, construction law).

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member, IPSANZ, Victorian Society for Computers and the Law.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

7 Years as an attorney

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Acted in a number of domain name disputes including preparing and "prosecuting" applications under the UDRP (WIPO Mediation). Also have ISP and Australian Domain Name Registrars as clients and have advised on a range of issues concerning domain name regulation.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Guest Speaker, Australian APEC Study Centre, Law and E-Commerce Training Course, June 2002;
Topic: Content Regulation.

Guest Speaker, Australian National Screenwriters Conference, June 2002;
Topic: Ancillary Rights.

Speaker: MAA-VIAC Conference "Becoming e-Legal", International Arbitral Centre of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber, Vienna, March 2002;
Topic: Developments in Litigation on domain names" (Paper to be published in Vindabona Journal);

Guest Lecturer, Monash University, School of Information Management Systems, 2002 & 2001;
Topic: Intellectual Property in the Digital Age.

Guest Speaker, Victorian Government Information and Communications, Department of Premier and Cabinet, IRG Forum, June 2001;
Topic: Content Regulation.

Guest Pundit: The Law Report, ABC Radio, June 2001;
Topic: "What's in a Name?"

Course Presenter: Leo Cussen Institute, Melbourne, 2000;

Topic: Litigation Practice and Procedure.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Primarily involved as a litigator, also consulting in relation to contracts and licensing

Handled over 50 cases involving trade marks, copyright, patents, confidential information and IT related issues. Hundreds of commercial cases.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION

Bar readers Course.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

General experience of 10 years appearing in and acting as a mediator in hundreds of litigation related mediations

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Have appeared as counsel in arbitration matters and advised concerning the same on numerous occasions
