

# Kalia Laycock-Walsh

## Barrister

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### AREAS OF PRACTICE

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See schedule for details of significant matters

#### General Commercial

Contracts  
Equity and Trusts  
Torts  
Insolvency  
Construction

#### Public Law

#### Criminal Law

Metro and regional courts

### PREVIOUS ROLES

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July 2021 –  
July 2022

#### High Court of Australia

Associate to the Hon Justice Jacqueline Gleeson

February 2020 –  
June 2021

#### Supreme Court of Victoria

Associate to the Hon Justice James Elliott

February 2018 –  
January 2020

#### Allens

Law Graduate / Lawyer

- Preparation of large commercial matters for trial
- Advice in relation to commercial disputes, property and environmental law
- Legal research and statutory interpretation

### EDUCATION

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2016 – 2017

#### Bachelor of Civil Laws

University of Oxford

- Options: Commercial Remedies, Restitution of Unjust Enrichment, Advanced Property and Trusts, and Criminal Justice, Security and Human Rights
- Full Scholarship: Endeavour Postgraduate Scholarship (Commonwealth Government) and Allan Myers Scholarship

2014 – 2017

#### Juris Doctor

University of Melbourne

- Weighted Average Mark: 82.5%
- Ranking in cohort: 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Prizes for the highest mark in Constitutional Law, Torts and combined first year law subjects
- JD Harold Ford Scholarship upon commencement for academic merit and financial need

2010 – 2013

#### Bachelor of Arts (International Studies)

RMIT University

- Grade Point Average: 3.9
- Vice-Chancellor's List Award for Academic Excellence, awarded to top 2% of graduates
- Exchange: Tianjin Normal University, China, 2011; Technische Universität Berlin, Germany, 2012

## **Schedule / Significant matters (as solicitor)**

### **Allens, Melbourne**

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#### *Disputes and Investigations – 2018*

- Acting for CITIC in various proceedings in the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal of Western Australia in the *Mineralogy Pty Ltd v Sino Iron Pty* dispute, including preparation for litigation, legal research and advice
- Acting for Bendigo Bank in the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry, including preparation of witness statements, preparation for hearings and management of documents to produce

#### *Property & Environment – 2019*

- Drafting property agreements including leases, licences and development agreements
- Assisting with management of a pre-litigious construction dispute in relation to a significant CBD development
- Advice on contractual obligations and environmental law in respect of complex commercial property agreements
- Advice in relation to property law issues in a range of industries, including resources, banking and government
- Advice in relation to environmental law for businesses and government

#### *Pro Bono*

- With Justice Connect, assisting clients facing homelessness resist eviction: working autonomously, giving merits advice, preparing for hearings, negotiating with opponents, oral advocacy at VCAT in residential tenancies list
- With Refugee Legal in their clinic program: assisting asylum seekers with drafting affidavits and preparing for interviews with Department of Home Affairs
- With the Human Rights Law Centre, representing the family of Tanya Louis Day in the coronial inquest into her death in police custody: assisting with preparation for hearing, research, instructing in Court