

## Sonia Tame



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Admitted to the legal profession 1996  
 Admitted as a barrister in NSW 2015  
 Also entitled to practise in All Australian jurisdictions (Commonwealth, State and Territory)

## Principal areas of practice

Banking & Finance	Equity
Class actions	Insurance & reinsurance
Commercial law	Professional indemnity
Contracts	Professional negligence
Corporations & Securities	Shareholder class actions

## Previous professional experience

2008-2015: Partner in the litigation group at Ashurst (Sydney)

Practice focus: corporate and commercial disputes, class actions and contentious regulatory work.

Matters included:

- Bank fees class action: Assisting ANZ to defend class actions brought on behalf of over 30,000 customers to recover exception fees charged by ANZ on consumer and business accounts and credit cards (*Andrews v Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited*; *Paciocco v Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited*).
- ASIC investigations: Advising and representing clients in ASIC investigations and examinations, including in relation to suspected breaches of insider trading laws and other laws relating to financial products.

2004-2008: Senior associate at Blake Dawson Waldron (now Ashurst)

2001-2004: Solicitor in the insurance group at CMS Cameron McKenna (London)

1996-2001: Solicitor at Mallesons Stephen Jaques (Sydney and Hong Kong)

1994-1996: Paralegal at the Crown Solicitor's Office (Sydney)

## Awards or professional recognition

Listed in *Best Lawyers Australia* (litigation category) 2010 – 2017

Recommended in Doyle's Guide to leading Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Junior Counsel – NSW, 2016

Recipient of the QC Memorial Prize for advocacy and evidence (for the May 2015 Bar Practice Course)

## Professional memberships

New South Wales Bar Association Diversity and Equality Committee, 2016

## Selected Cases

*Gore v ASIC* – appeal against a 7½ year injunction imposed under s 1324 of the Corporations Act and against findings of being knowingly concerned in contraventions of s 727 and 1041H of the Corporations Act (led by K Morgan)

*Omega Air Inc v CAE Australia Pty Limited* [2015] NSWSC 802 – successful application for leave to amend Commercial List Statement – reasonably arguable that 6 year limitation period in s 236(2) of the Australian Consumer Law cannot be contracted out of (led by K J Williams)

*Samsung Electronics Australia Pty Ltd v LG Electronics Australia Pty Ltd* – successful application for leave to appeal an interlocutory judgment on liability (led by JM Hennessy SC)

*Tamaya Resources Ltd (in liq) v Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu & Ors; HFPS Pty Limited & Anor v Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu & Ors* – auditors' negligence claim and shareholder class action (led by RG McHugh SC and A Shearer)

*Armidale Management Development Centre Pty Ltd v The Good Oil Group Pty Ltd* – District Court of NSW – claim for breach of contract and the tort of inducing a breach of contract (unled)