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EXPERTISE

<u>Commercial Law</u> | <u>Common Law</u> | <u>Corporations Law & Securities Law</u> | <u>Equity & Trusts Law</u> | <u>Public Law & Administrative Law</u> | <u>Tax Law & Revenue Law</u>

PROFILE

Tom practices in public law, common law, and general commercial litigation. He has particular expertise in large scale tort litigation (including the *Parkerville Fire litigation*: [2019] WASC 94; [2021] WASCA 111; [2022] HCA 37). He has current and recent involvement in large-scale tort actions and related proceedings (including in the Coroners' Court) in the Courts of Victoria, New South Wales, Western Australia and South Australia.

Tom also regularly acts in professional negligence and professional discipline matters (principally for and against legal practitioners and accountants). He also has significant experience advising and acting in respect of insurance disputes, including as to subrogation, document construction, and recovery actions, as well as in commercial and employment disputes generally (including mediation and arbitration). He particularly welcomes instructions in matters with a scientific or technical aspect.

Earlier in his time at the Bar, Tom specialised in public and Commonwealth administrative law,

including migration (judicial review only) and veterans' entitlements. He has advised and appeared in those areas in the former Federal Circuit Court, the Federal Court (including the Full Court) and the High Court.

Prior to signing the Bar Roll in 2012, Tom worked as a solicitor, and earlier still as the Associate to the Hon. D M Ryan KC, who was then a judge of the Federal Court. He read with Lachlan Armstrong KC and his senior mentor was Richard Niall QC SG (as his Honour then was). He is a member of CommBar and the Industrial Bar Association.

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