

Elisa Holmes SC

Elisa Holmes SC has a busy trial and appellate practice, principally in the superior courts in commercial law and equity. She has been described in leading directories in Australia and England as follows:

"Elisa is an outstanding advocate and is always one step ahead of her opponent."

"An approachable and charming manner with the steel of a gritty and determined advocate".

"Enthusiastic and clever."

"Elisa Holmes ... has been instructed in several significant cases ... She instils confidence as she provides acute legal thinking and has an elegant style in court. High-profile clients such as the BBC and the MoD are anxious to employ her services."

"Committed, analytical and combative."

"A terrier-like desire to ensure that justice is done."

Elisa is a very experienced advocate, and has practised as a barrister for over 20 years, including 8 years in London before returning to the Bar in Sydney in 2012.

Elisa's experience is extensive and broad. She has a particular focus on commercial law and equity (in particular insolvency, corporations, financial services, banking, company law, insurance, trade practices, contract, and competition law). She has been counsel in several of the leading insolvency and class actions (including cross-border insolvency) cases in Australia, and has appeared in New Zealand and Vanuatu in landmark insolvency cases. She is regularly briefed in commercial and international arbitrations.

Elisa is also a leading sports lawyer. She is an arbitrator on the National Sports Tribunal and sits on sporting tribunals, panels and judiciaries, as well as appearing as an advocate for players, sporting associations and clubs.