



L I P M A N K A R A S

Brooke Hall-Carney

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Professional Experience

Brooke Hall-Carney commenced her private practice career in the Sydney office of a large national firm where she worked for a decade on litigation and commercial dispute resolution projects, prior to joining Lipman Karas in early 2009. She specialises in the efficient management of large scale strategic litigation projects, and has expertise in trade practices, financial services and complex commercial disputes.

Brooke has extensive experience acting in some of the most challenging and complex litigation in Australia. Together with Skip Lipman, she is acting for the liquidator of the Bell Group in the Western Australian Court of Appeal proceedings with respect to an appeal from a first instance compensation award of \$1.7 billion, the largest ever award in a civil case in Australia. She also acted in the trial and Full Court appeal of the high profile C7 dispute (*Seven Network Ltd v News Limited*), the largest media lawsuit ever in Australia, relating to alleged anticompetitive conduct in the pay TV market.

Brooke is also experienced in conducting smaller commercial matters and mediations, including contractual disputes and recovery actions.

Prior to commencing private practice Brooke was an Associate to the Hon John von Doussa QC, then a Justice of the Federal Court of Australia. She was subsequently a research assistant for members of the Full Court of the Federal Court of Australia and for the late Justice O'Loughlin in relation to *Cubillo v Gunner* (the "stolen children case").

Brooke maintains her interest in pro bono work and in the development of the law and legal education in Australia and overseas. Prior to joining Lipman Karas, Brooke was a duty solicitor at the Local Court (Downing Centre NSW), and a supervisor of a pro bono advice program for youth in New South Wales. She is a tutor at the Adelaide University Law School.

During Brooke's university studies she was awarded numerous subject prizes including Corporations Law, Commercial Law, Tax and Civil Procedure. Brooke was the recipient of a fellowship to teach and study her Master of Laws at the University of British Columbia in Canada.

Industry Memberships

Women Lawyers Association

Law Society of New South Wales

Law Society of South Australia

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Tertiary Qualifications

Bachelor of Arts (1993)

Bachelor of Laws (Honours) (1998)

Graduate Certificate in Legal Practice (1998)

Master of Laws (University of British Columbia, Vancouver) (2002)

Admitted to the Supreme Court of South Australia (1998)

Admitted to the Supreme Court of New South Wales (2000)

Admitted to the High Court and Federal Court of Australia (2000)