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**ABOUT**

Mathew accepts briefs in all areas of law, including commercial litigation, insurance law, equity and trusts, public law, asset confiscation, white collar crime and admiralty and maritime law.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Mathew was a Principal Litigation Lawyer and Team Leader in the Australian Federal Police’s Criminal Assets Litigation team for 6 years. Prior to that, Mathew worked as a solicitor at a mid-tier firm specialising in insurance litigation for 3 years.

Mathew regularly presents at global conferences and regional training programmes convened by INTERPOL in respect of asset confiscation litigation, white collar crime and corruption related issues.

Mathew was named on Australasian Lawyer’s 2021 Rising Stars List.

**ADMISSIONS**

**2022** **Barrister** New South Wales Bar

**2013** **Solicitor** Supreme Court of New South Wales

**ACADEMIC**

**2012 Bachelor of Laws (Honours Class II)** University of Wollongong

* Dean’s Merit List for Faculty of Law (top 5% of undergraduates).
* Senior Moot champion in 2011 (runner-up 2009 and 2010).

**2012** **Bachelor of Commerce (Economics) (with Distinction)** University of Wollongong

* Dean’s Merit List for Faculty of Commerce (top 5% of undergraduates).
* International Studies Minor – University of Miami, Florida exchange semester.

**EXPERIENCE**

**2022 13th Floor St James Hall** Barrister

**2016 – 2022 Australian Federal Police** Principal Litigation Lawyer & Team Leader

* Carriage of complex, sensitive, high risk and urgent matters under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* (Cth) and *Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act* (Cth).
* Regularly appeared as solicitor advocate in the Supreme Court of NSW.
* Presented internationally and domestically on issues which included proceeds of crime litigation, constitutional law, white collar crime, property and trusts and modern slavery.

**2013 – 2016 TurksLegal** Solicitor – Insurance & Financial Services

* Acted for insurers in torts, contracts, trade practices law and consumer law matters.

**2013 PK Simpson & Co Lawyers** Junior Solicitor

* Medical negligence, workers compensation and civil liability litigation.

**EXTRACURRICULAR / PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

**2022 (cont.) New South Wales Bar Association**

**2022 (cont.) Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand**

**2020 – 2022 AFP Foreign Bribery, Unexplained Wealth and Forensic Accounting working groups**

**2020 – 2022 Australian Government Legal Service** Secretary, Professional Development Committee

**2019 (cont.) INTERPOL**  Panelist and presenter at various international conferences