

CARLOTTA BRUESSEL

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Personal Information

Nationality: Australian / German
Admitted in Australia: 21 April 2017
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EDUCATION

- Mar. 2017-
Oct. 2017 **The College of Law, Canberra, Australia**
Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice
Distinction
- May 2016-
Oct. 2016 **The University of Sydney, Law Extension Committee, Sydney, Australia**
Diploma in Law from the New South Wales Legal Profession Admission Board
Distinction
- Sep. 2014-
Jun. 2015 **Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland**
LL.M in International and Economic Law
Cum Laude
- Sep. 2010-
Jun. 2014 **The University of Dundee, Dundee, Scotland**
LL.B Bachelor of Laws with Honours
2:1 Upper Second-Class Degree
Awards: Annual Student Scholarship, for academic excellence;
Wimberley Award, for the most distinguished contribution to the University;
Henry Scrymgeour Prize in International Law, for highest final grade; and
Green's Prize in Law, for the best overseas student.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Jul. 2021-
Current **Herbert Smith Freehills, Sydney, Australia**
Senior Associate - Disputes
- Leading a large scale discovery and document review.
 - Preparing initial quantum modelling and working with experts to prepare their evidence including participating in multiple conferences.
 - Working with a large group of insurers to provide updates and advice during settlement discussions.
 - Drafting the advice on prospects for a large construction client.
 - Drafting contentious correspondence to the other side in complex class action disputes.
 - Preparing lay witness evidence affidavits in support of proceedings including for CEO, CFO and non-executive directors.
- Feb. 2019-
Jun. 2021 **Herbert Smith Freehills, Sydney, Australia**
Solicitor / Associate - Disputes
- Advised multinational corporations and ASX listed companies on the defense of Australian shareholder class actions with multijurisdictional litigation aspects.
 - Acted for an international security provider in relation to a multimillion dollar asset dispute.
 - Drafted parts of several class action defences and prepared the supporting schedules thereto.
 - Took a lead role with respect to the consolidation of two claims, prepared draft submissions for the consolidation and affidavit evidence. Prepared a detailed analysis of consolidation decisions, worked with counsel and attended conferences. Contrary to existing precedent, the client won the application.
 - Participated in numerous conferrals with the plaintiffs to negotiate an advantageous discovery regime. This included drafting letters and a discovery protocol, confirming a regime for safeguarding the client's confidential information, and attending discussions with counsel.
 - Prepared regular summaries and updates to clients on matters.
 - Supervised of a team of 5 junior lawyers.
- Dec. 2017-
Feb. 2019 **Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC), Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR**
Deputy Counsel - International arbitration
- Administered international and domestic arbitrations under all HKIAC arbitration rules and assist in ad hoc proceedings.
 - Acted as Tribunal Secretary in a construction dispute.
 - Acted as Tribunal Secretary in an Emergency Arbitration regarding gaming technology.
 - Provided guidance on the operation of HKIAC's rules and practices.
 - Presented on arbitration-related topics including at Belt and Road initiative events.
 - Published research materials for HKIAC on international arbitration and alternative dispute resolution.

Apr. 2017- Aug. 2017	Chamberlains Law Firm, Canberra, Australia <i>Lawyer - Commercial litigation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafted contracts for construction projects, including contractor/sub-contractor agreements and employment contracts. • Prepared complex litigation case and court documents required for proceedings. • Handled commercial litigation matters from start to finish including: meeting clients, formulating case strategies and preparing advices and court documents, attending mediations, drafting settlement agreements and attending hearings. • Managed a team of four paralegals.
Feb. 2016- Apr. 2017	Chamberlains Law Firm, Canberra, Australia <i>Graduate Lawyer - Commercial litigation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progressed matters independently with minimal supervision from the firm's partner. • Drafted letters, advices and court documents required for litigation proceedings. • Appeared before the local ACT and Federal Courts, in case direction hearings.
Sep. 2015- Feb. 2016	Boettcher Law Firm, Canberra, Australia <i>Paralegal - Commercial litigation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Translated, and prepared responses to, letters for matters conducted in German. • Drafted basic letters in personal injury and debt recovery proceedings. • Prepared and filed court and tribunal documents.
May 2015- Aug. 2015	International Law Commission of United Nations (UN), Geneva, Switzerland <i>Legal Liaison / Research Assistant - Public international law</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisted in drafting official statements and international resolutions. • Participated in round table discussions and negotiations.
Feb. 2015- May 2015	UN Conference for Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Geneva, Switzerland <i>Researcher - International arbitration</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafted a paper on sustainable development measures leading to expropriation in international arbitration.
Feb. 2013- May 2014	Dundee Sheriff Court, Dundee, Scotland <i>Caseworker at In-Court Advice Program - Commercial litigation and mediation</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisted tribunals and mediators during hearings/mediations. • Drafted pro-bono legal advice on small commercial matters.

MINI-PUPILLAGES WITH UK BARRISTER CHAMBERS (London, United Kingdom)

Jul. 2015	Essex Court Chambers in International Arbitration.
Jun. 2015	XXIV Old Buildings in International Commercial Arbitration and Insolvency.
May 2014	Hardwicke in Intellectual Property Law.

PUBLICATIONS, VOLUNTARY WORK AND MEMBERSHIPS

Current	Third edition of <i>Class Actions in Australia</i> Contributed to two chapters of the Book which will be published later in 2021.
Current	Sydney University Women's Mentoring Mentor for young female law students.
Current	HK45 Regional Ambassador for HK45 a group for young arbitration practitioners under HKIAC.
Jul. 2018	Corporate Disputes Magazine Published an article entitled " <i>Effects of the Belt and Road Initiative on Dispute Settlement in the Region</i> ".
Jul. 2017- Aug. 2017	Justice Centre Hong Kong Prepared a report on " <i>Legislative protections in Australia and Hong Kong in light of amendments to the Employment Ordinance (Cap. 57)</i> ".
Feb. 2015	TradeLab.org Published an online guide regarding " <i>WTO and Trade in Goods and Services</i> ".

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

Arbitration Training	
2018	HKIAC Tribunal Secretary Training Programme
Languages	
English	Native
German	Native
French	Intermediate
Japanese	Beginner
