HUGO WILESMITH

Barrister specialising in commercial litigation, corporate crime, and regulatory disputes.

ADMISSIONS

Admitted as a Barrister	2025
Admitted as a Solicitor (Supreme Court of NSW; High Court of Australia)	2015
LEGAL EVERDIENCE	

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Alinea Chambers, Barrister

2025

Allens, Senior Associate (formerly Associate)

• Secondments to Linklaters (2020) and Commonwealth Bank of Australia (2024)

Fieldfisher, Senior Associate

High Court of England and Wales, Judicial Assistant

2021 – 2022

MinterEllison, Lawyer (formerly Graduate)

2015 – 2018

My primary areas of practice as a solicitor were commercial litigation, regulatory disputes and investigations, corporate crime, insurance, and competition law. That practice included:

- Litigation (trial and appellate) in the Federal Court and the NSW and Victorian Supreme
 Courts on matters including shareholder disputes, contested merger approvals, breach of
 directors' duties, breach of contract, and misleading and deceptive conduct.
- Regulatory investigations and litigation involving ASIC, ACCC, AUSTRAC, ICAC, AFCA, FIRB, L&GNSW and other Australian and international regulators.
- Fraud, bribery, AML/CTF and whistleblowing investigations and disputes.
- Generalist experience in construction, financial services, tenancy and public law.

Details of non-confidential matters available on request.

TEACHING AND LAW REPORTING

New South Wales Law Reports, Reporter	2018 - 2022, 2022 - present
University of Law (UK), Visiting Lecturer	2021 – 2022
University of Technology, Sydney, Tutor (Commercial Remedie	es) 2017 – 2018

EDUCATION

London School of Economics, Master of Laws (Distinction)

2021

- First in year (out of 250); Lawyers Alumni Prize for best overall mark in course.
- Valentin Ribet Prize for Corporate Crime.
- First place, Law and Practice of International Finance.

Australian National University, Bachelor of Laws (Honours) / Bachelor of Arts

2014