



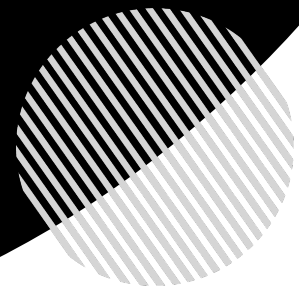
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Graeme Scott

Partner
Litigation & Dispute Resolution



I work with clients to shoulder their legal burden, so they can focus on what matters most: their business.



Graeme brings a considered, pragmatic approach to resolving commercial disputes, shaped by more than 30 years' experience in the field.

Introduction

Graeme practises across a broad range of commercial disputes, with a particular focus on insolvency and restructuring. He advises insolvency practitioners, directors, creditors and other stakeholders on receiverships, administrations, liquidations and small business restructuring, and is regularly engaged in insolvency-related litigation and recovery actions.

With more than 30 years' experience, Graeme has an instinct for cutting through complexity — quickly identifying what matters and offering clients clear, pragmatic advice to navigate difficult legal and commercial challenges.

Graeme has a particular interest in the Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth) and is a sought-after presenter on the topic. His expertise has been recognised by both Doyle's Guide in Insolvency and Restructuring and Best Lawyers.

Expertise

- Advising on the *Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth)* including the creation, validity, enforcement and priority of security interests, retention of title arrangements and competing security claims.
- Security review and risk assessment.
- Structuring, negotiating and drafting deeds of company arrangement and creditors' trust deeds.
- Conducting public examinations and investigations.
- Litigating insolvent trading, voidable transaction and recovery claims.
- Advising on and implementing restructuring and turnaround strategies for distressed businesses.
- Advising on issues relating to the insolvency of corporate trustees, including rights of indemnity and access to trust assets.
- Acting in fraud and asset recovery proceedings.
- Advising on and litigating intellectual property disputes, including trademark and design matters.
- Acting in shareholder, partnership and contractual disputes.
- Advising directors, insolvency practitioners and creditors on strategic insolvency and restructuring issues.

Experience

- Acting for voluntary administrators in the successful restructuring of Australian bag retailer Crumpler.
- Acting for liquidators in the collapse of the ASX Listed Hastie Group Limited.
- Acting for a food container manufacturer in the successful prosecution of a design infringement in the Federal Court to protect its statutory monopoly.
- Acting for liquidators in relation to realisation of assets of Made Establishment, including its flagship fine-dining restaurant, Press Club and Jimmy Grants souvlaki stores.
- Acting for a director/shareholder of a digital marketing business in Supreme Court oppression proceedings to achieve a successful buyout of the business.
- Acting for a shareholder in a disputed but successful application to terminate the winding up of a company.
- Supervising the execution of a search and seizure order in aid of remedies against an employee wrongfully diverting business opportunities.
- Presenter for Leo Cussen Institute on various aspects the *Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth)*.

Qualifications

- Bachelor of Laws
- Master of Laws (Intellectual Property major)
- Bachelor of Economics

Memberships

- Law Institute of Victoria
- Law Council Victoria
- Women in Insolvency and Restructuring Victoria

Awards

- Inaugural prize Law of the Internet (Monash University) 2000
- Doyle's Guide, recommended lawyer, Insolvency and Restructuring 2024
- Best Lawyers, Alternative Dispute Resolution, 2021 – 2023



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