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Prior to joining the Victorian Bar, Jamie was Associate to the Hon Justice Gleeson at the High Court of Australia. As a solicitor, he was a constitutional litigator (within the Australian Government Solicitor), acting mainly in High Court proceedings.

Jamie holds a Master of Laws (1st) from the University of Cambridge, and lectures in the postgraduate program at Monash University (teaching equity, constitutional law, and administrative law). He has published widely, including in the Sydney Law Review, the Public Law Review and the Federal Law Review.

Jamie is a reporter for the *Victorian Reports*.

Jamie read with Fiona Batten and his senior mentor is David Batt KC.

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Recent Cases

RECENT AND ONGOING MATTERS

High Court of Australia

TCXM v Commonwealth of Australia – High Court of Australia – appeal – injunctions and constitutional law – led by Emrys Nekvapil SC with Chris Fitzgerald and Jason Donnelly.

Minister for Planning v IGA Retail Services – High Court of Australia – application for special leave – planning and constitutional law – led by Alistair Pound SC (Solicitor-General for Victoria) with Caryn Van Proctor.

EGH19 v Commonwealth of Australia – High Court of Australia – Full Court (original jurisdiction) – constitutional law – led by Lisa De Ferrari SC with Thomas O'Connor.

AIX20 v Director General (ASIO) – High Court of Australia – public interest immunity – application for constitutional writs – led by Emrys Nekvapil SC, with Elizabeth Brumby.

KMD v CEO (Department of Health NT) & Ors – High Court of Australia – appeal – led by Emrys Nekvapil SC with Jim Hartley.

Luck v Henderson – acting for government party, resisting application for removal to High Court of Australia, led by Liam Brown SC, Crown Counsel.

Advices

Various advices, including led by Alistair Pound SC (Solicitor-General for Victoria), Philip Crutchfield KC, Ron Merkel KC, Eugene Wheelahan KC and Georgina Costello KC.

Intermediate appellate courts

Shakespeare Partners Pty Ltd v Transonic Travel Pty Ltd – Court of Appeal, Supreme Court of Victoria – appeal – misleading and deceptive conduct – loss and damage – led by Philip Solomon KC and Richard Harris SC.

Moorabool and Central Highlands Power Alliance Incorporated v Minister for Energy and Resources – Court of Appeal, Supreme Court of Victoria – appeal – acting for the Minister, led by David Batt KC.

Minister for Immigration v Nuumoa – Full Federal Court proceeding, acting for the respondent, led by Georgina Costello KC, with Fiona Batten.

Acting for VicForests in respect of appellate proceedings – led by Philip Solomon KC with Hannah Douglas

Trials in the Supreme Court of Victoria and Federal Court of Australia

Smith (Liberal Party) v City of Boroondara – Supreme Court of Victoria – constitutional law – injunctions – led by Emrys Nekvapil SC, with Katharine Brown, for the defendant.

Custom Service Leasing Pty Ltd v State of Victoria – Supreme Court of Victoria – with Fiona Batten for the plaintiff.

Animals Australia Federation v CA Sinclair Pty Ltd – Supreme Court of Victoria – trial – declarations and injunctions – acting for plaintiff – led by Nick Wood SC, with Jim Hartley.

Environment Council of Central Queensland Inc v Minister for the Environment & Water – two Federal Court proceedings, climate change litigation, acting for plaintiff, led by Emrys Nekvapil SC, with Jim Hartley, Maya Narayan and Laura Schuijers.

Neill-Fraser v Parole Board of Tasmania – Supreme Court of Tasmania – constitutional law – implied freedom of political communication – with Patrick Coleridge and Hannah Canham.

Moorabool and Central Highlands Power Alliance Incorporated v Minister for Energy and Resources – Supreme Court of Victoria, Judicial Review of decision under the National Electricity (Victoria) Act 2005 (Vic), acting for the Minister, led by David Batt KC, with Fiona Batten, Anesti Petridis.

Bradlow & Bock v Australian Electoral Commissioner – Federal Court of Australia – electoral and constitutional law – led by Emrys Nekvapil SC with Julian Murphy and Katharine Brown.

Northern Disability Services Pty Ltd v Commissioner of the NDIS Quality and Safeguards Commission – Federal Court of Australia – judicial review – acting for the Commissioner unled.

VCAT and planning panels

Various VCAT proceedings under environmental legislation, acting for the Environment Protection Authority.

Planning Panels Victoria, Viva Energy Gas Terminal Supplementary EES Inquiry and Advisory Committee (EES) – appearing for the Environment Protection Authority

Racing Victoria v Betmax – VCAT merits review of a decision under the *Gambling Regulation Act 2003*, led by Fiona Batten for the applicant.