

Professor Andrew Christie

Arbitrator / Determiner • Mediator / Conciliator

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In addition to my role as Professor of Intellectual Property at Melbourne Law School, I am an experienced arbitrator / determiner and mediator / conciliator who accepts appointments for the resolution of IP, IT, media, life sciences/pharma, franchise, sport, and related commercial disputes, both domestic and international.

With a Bachelor degree in science, and a Bachelor, a Master and a Doctoral degree in law, I am admitted to legal practice in Australia, England and Wales. I have a sound knowledge of the legal systems and commercial laws of Australia, Canada, Singapore, the UK and the USA, having lived and worked in those countries at various times over the decades.

Formally trained in international arbitration, I am a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. I am also formally trained in mediation, and hold accreditation under the Australian National Mediator Accreditation System.

I have been appointed to resolve disputes under the rules of a range of institutions, including the ICC International Centre for ADR, the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center, and the Resolution Institute, as well as by *ad hoc* appointment.

Nationality: Australian

ARBITRATION AND DETERMINATION

Qualifications

- *Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration* – Fellow (since 2022).
- *Chartered Institute of Arbitrators* – Fellow (since 2022).
- *Resolution Institute* – Graded Arbitrator (Grade 2, since 2022); Registered Expert Determiner (since 2021).

Appointments and Experience

- *International Chamber of Commerce, International Centre for ADR, Paris* – Appointed by the Centre to multiple three-member panels to determine disputes under the *ICANN new gTLD Limited Public Interest Objection Policy* (since 2013).
- *Asian International Arbitration Centre, Kuala Lumpur* – Appointed by the Centre to multiple single-member and three-member panels to determine disputes under the *ICANN Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy (UDRP)* (since 2011).
- *Resolution Institute, Sydney* – Appointed by the Institute to multiple single-member and three-member panels to determine disputes under the *.au Dispute Resolution Policy (auDRP)* (since 2011).
- *World Intellectual Property Organization, Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva* – Appointed by the Center to numerous single-member and three-member panels (including as presiding panelist) to determine disputes under the *UDRP*, the *auDRP* and various other gTLD and ccTLD domain name dispute resolution policies (since 2000).

Panel Memberships

- *Australian Communications and Media Authority* – Panel of Arbitrators (since 2022).
- *National Sports Tribunal, Australia* – Appointed as a member by the Minister for Sport, to arbitrate disputes under the *National Sports Tribunal Act 2019* (Cth) and associated *Rules* (since 2021).
- *London Court of International Arbitration* – Panel of Neutrals (since 2019).
- *Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration* – Panel of Arbitrators (since 2015).

Training

- *CIArb Accelerated Route to Fellowship Module 1 and Module 3: International Arbitration* – 2 x three-day training programs, taught and examined by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (2021).

- **WIPO Workshop for Arbitrators** – 15-hour training program conducted by the World Intellectual Property Organization, Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva (2000).

MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION

Qualifications

- **Accredited Mediator** – Accredited as a mediator under the National Mediator Accreditation System (NMAS) of the Mediator Standards Board, Australia (since 2014).

Appointments and Experience

- **Resolution Institute, Sydney** – Appointed by the Institute to mediate disputes under the *Resolution Institute Mediation Rules* (since 2020).
- **Australian Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman (ASBFEO), Canberra** – Appointed by the Ombudsman to mediate franchising disputes under the *Franchising Code of Conduct* (since 2017).

Panel Memberships

- **Australian Communications and Media Authority** – Panel of Mediators (since 2022).
- **National Sports Tribunal, Australia** – Appointed as a member by the Minister for Sport, to mediate and conciliate disputes under the *National Sports Tribunal Act 2019* (Cth) and associated *Rules* (since 2021).

Training

- **LEADR Mediation Workshop** – 38-hour training program conducted by LEADR-Association of Dispute Resolvers (now Resolution Institute), Melbourne, Australia (2014).
- **WIPO Workshop for Mediators in Intellectual Property Disputes** – 15-hour training program conducted by the World Intellectual Property Organization, Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva (1998).

LEGAL PRACTICE

Employment and Experience

- **Davies Collison Cave, Melbourne** – Special Counsel (1996-2001, part-time). Consulting on copyright, patent and trade mark law to the firm's information sciences group.
- **Arthur Robinson & Hedderwicks (now Allens Linklaters), Melbourne** – Senior Associate (1992-93); Solicitor (1985-86); Articled Clerk (1984-85). Practising law across all fields in the firm's IP and IT group.
- **Rowe & Maw (now Mayer Brown), London** – Consultant (1989-91, part-time); Solicitor (1988). Consulting to, and practising law in, the firm's IP and IT group, focussing on copyright and licensing.

Qualifications and Registrations

- **Trade Marks Attorney, Australia** – Registered as a Trade Marks Attorney with the Trans-Tasman IP Attorneys Board (since 2000).
- **Lawyer, England and Wales** – Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales (1991); not currently holding a practising certificate.
- **Solicitor, Australia** – Admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria and of the High Court of Australia (1985); holding a current Australian practising certificate.

MANAGEMENT CONSULTING

Employment and Experience

- **Pappas Carter Evans & Koop (now Boston Consulting Group), Melbourne** – Research Associate (1986-87) Researching and analysing data on the competitive environment of various industries.

ACADEMY

Employment and Experience

- *University of Melbourne, Melbourne Law School* – Foundation Chair of Intellectual Property (2002-cont); Founding Director, Intellectual Property Research Institute of Australia (2002-08); Associate Professor (1998-2002); Senior Lecturer (1993-98).
- *National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law* – Lionel A. Sheridan Visiting Professor (2020); Kwa Geok Choo Distinguished Visitor (2012); Yong Shook Lin Visiting Professor (2011).
- *University of Cambridge, Faculty of Law* – Herbert Smith Freehills Visitor (2018-19).
- *Emmanuel College, Cambridge* – Derek Brewer Visiting Fellow (Michaelmas Term 2018); Senior Visitor (Lent and Easter Terms 2019); Herchel Smith Research Fellow in the Law of Intellectual Property (1989-91).
- *Duke University, School of Law* – Fulbright Senior Scholar (2001).
- *University of Toronto, Faculty of Law* – Distinguished Visiting Professor (2000-2001).

Education and Qualifications

- *Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)* – Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge (1989-92).
- *Master of Laws (LLM) with distinction* – Queen Mary College, University of London (1987-88).
- *Bachelor of Laws (LLB) with honours* – University of Melbourne (1980-83).
- *Bachelor of Science (BSc)* – University of Melbourne (1979-83).

PUBLICATIONS

Dispute Resolution

- ['Online Markets and "Value Gaps" - the Australian Approach to News Aggregators'](#), *Proceedings of the ALAI International Congress 2021*.
- ['WIPO and IP Dispute Resolution'](#), Ch. 14 in Ricketson S. (ed.) *The Elgar Companion to the World Intellectual Property Organization* (2020, Edward Elgar).
- ['An empirical analysis of 15 years of Australian domain name disputes'](#), (2019) 30(1) *Australian Intellectual Property Journal* 4-25.
- ['Private international law principles for ubiquitous intellectual property infringement – A solution in search of a problem?'](#), (2017) 13(1) *Journal of Private International Law* 152-183.
- ['Online Dispute Resolution – the Phenomenon of the UDRP'](#), Ch. 16 in Torremans P. (ed.), *Research Handbook on Cross-Border Enforcement of Intellectual Property* (2014, Edward Elgar).
- ['Voluntary Mechanisms for Resolving IP Disputes'](#), report for the WIPO Advisory Committee on Enforcement (2012).
- ['The Evolution of Precedent in Mandatory Arbitration – Lessons from a Decade of Domain Name Dispute Resolution'](#), (2011) 30(1) *The Arbitrator and Mediator* 65-74.
- ['The ICANN Domain-Name Dispute Resolution System as a Model for Resolving other Intellectual Property Disputes on the Internet'](#), [2002] 5(1) *The Journal of World Intellectual Property* 105-117.

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