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Campbell was admitted to the New South Wales Bar in 1977 and was appointed Senior Counsel in 1998.

After acting as counsel for parties for over 40 years in many trials (including many jury trials), appeals and mediations in both state and federal courts, Campbell now conducts his practice from early 2023 entirely as a mediator. He has also acted as a mediator in many hundreds of mediations over the past 15 years.

His appointments as a mediator come from a wide range of parties including private law firms, the Commonwealth and State governments, public companies, major insurers and institutions, and a wide range of smaller corporations, businesses, and individuals. He does not accept direct access briefs.

His main areas of practice (both trials and mediations) were in areas of commercial law, class actions, insurance, professional and medical negligence, common law trials, historical institutional abuse, public liability, construction, mining, and infrastructure disputes.

His international practice as a mediator has involved acting in commercial, infrastructure, energy and medical negligence disputes in Singapore and Indonesia.

In his practice as counsel, his broad practice has included such diverse subjects as blood transfusions and HIV, catastrophic sporting accidents, and industrial accidents involving quad bikes and other machinery. He has acted in major inquests in areas including the circumstances of the death of an Australian soldier on active service, train accidents and fatal school accidents.

He has also been counsel assisting in a royal commission involving the building industry in New South Wales.

He has acted in numerous disciplinary proceedings involving both legal and medical practitioners.

The ability to conduct mediations remotely using video conferencing platforms such as Zoom is now an integral part of his practice. He has conducted many mediations smoothly and remotely with participants throughout Australia as well as in Europe, Asia, and North America.

He is recognised in the following publications:-

- ***Best Lawyers in Australia* in ADR - 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024.**
- ***Doyle's Guide - Leading Mediators – New South Wales, 2018, 2019, 2020***

and 2021.

- *Doyle's Guide - Leading Arbitration Barristers – Australia, 2018, 2019 and 2020*
- *Winner – Bali International Arbitration and Mediation Centre - Top 10 Mediators in Asia Pacific (2019)*

While accredited with a significant number of ADR bodies as listed below, he is the only non-Indonesian accredited as both an arbitrator with Badan Arbitrasi Nasional Indonesia (BANI) and as an international guest mediator with Pusat Mediasi Nasional (Indonesian Mediation Centre) in that country.

He has been briefed in arbitrations and references out by courts in Australia over many years in areas of construction and commercial law, and most recently in disputes between insurers in professional negligence actions.

PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

- 1977 - Admitted to the New South Wales Bar.
- 1998 - Appointed as Senior Counsel.

He has in the past been a member of the New South Wales Bar ADR committee for many years.

Professional Qualifications

- *Supreme Court of New South Wales – Accredited Mediator and Arbitrator.*
- *District Court of New South Wales – Accredited Mediator and Arbitrator.*
- *Accredited under National Mediator Accreditation System (NMAS) of Australia.*
- *Panel arbitrator and mediator with several national bodies in Indonesia and Malaysia.*

Public speaking and other engagements

Campbell has taught at universities and for professional associations, both locally and internationally. The subject of his teaching, presentations and seminars includes a wide range of subjects - mediation of commercial, infrastructure and mining disputes in Australia and Asia, ethics, professional negligence, and commercial disputes as well as sexual assault cases involving churches and schools.

Campbell has frequently been invited to speak and deliver papers at conferences, seminars, in-house tutorials and lectures, training courses for government instrumentalities, insurers, and numerous eminent international and domestic law firms throughout Australia, and in Singapore, Indonesia, and Malaysia.

He has been a lecturer in the Dispute Resolution in Asia LLM course conducted by Sydney University and at the Melbourne University Law master's Program on topics of mediation of medical negligence disputes, and ethical and effective negotiation.

He has frequently taught at the Indonesian Mediation Centre in Jakarta on issues of conflict resolution analysis, negotiation, Indonesian and Western cross-cultural issues, and the role of lawyers in alternative dispute resolution and mediation.

Campbell has a particular interest in Asia and Asian culture. As a photographer moonlighting as a lawyer, he has had numerous articles and photographs concerning Asian culture, history and traditions published in cultural magazines such as Asian Geographic (Singapore) and various other publications. He has staged photographic exhibitions in Jakarta and Sydney on a wide range of topics ranging from Indonesian people and culture to Islamic life in Sydney.