



**DECLAN ROCHE SC**

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**AREAS OF PRACTICE**

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Declan is an experienced barrister who appears in a variety of courts and tribunals. He is a recognised leader in competition law and has appeared in many of the leading cases in this field in the past decade. Declan also has extensive experience in consumer law and family law (large and complex matters), as well as a range of other areas including commercial law, class actions, defamation, judicial review and regulatory proceedings.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

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Doctor of Philosophy (in Law), Australian National University (2001)  
Bachelor of Laws (1<sup>st</sup> Class Hons), Australian National University (1996)  
Bachelor of Economics, Australia National University (1994)

**ADMISSIONS**

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NSW Bar (2009), Senior Counsel (2023)  
State of New York (2008)  
ACT Supreme Court (1998)

**RANKINGS**

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Chambers and Partners, Competition and Antitrust Law, New Silks (2023 - 2024)  
Doyle's Guide (Australia wide), Recommended Competition Law Senior Counsel (2024)  
Doyle's Guide (NSW), Recommended Commercial Litigation and Dispute Resolution Senior Counsel (2024)  
The Legal 500 Guide 2024, New Silk in Competition

**SELECTED RECENT CASES**

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*Al Muderis v Nine Network Australia Pty Ltd* [2025] FCA 909 (defamation)

*Riverine Grazier Pty Ltd v Google LLC* [2025] FCA 895 (class action carriage motion)

*Glencore Coal Assets Australia Pty Ltd v Port of Newcastle Operations Pty Ltd* [2025] NSWSC 769 (enforcement of arbitral award made under *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*)

*Holt v Mitsubishi Motors Corporation* [2025] FCA 191 (legal professional privilege)

*Pickford & Pickford* [2024] FedCFamC1A 249 (family law, parenting)

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*Stillwater Pastoral Company Pty Ltd v Stanwell Corporation Ltd* [2024] FCA 1382 (competition law, misuse of market power)

*Electoral Commissioner of the Australian Electoral Commission v Laming (No 2)* [2023] FCA 917 (contraventions of Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918)

*Venter & Venter (No 5)* [2023] FedCFamC1F 635 (family law, dismissal for failure to give discovery)

*Corry v NHB Enterprises Pty Ltd* [2023] NSWCA 162 (civil contempt, appeal against sentence)

*Applications by Telstra Corporation Ltd and TPG Telecom Ltd (No 2)* [2023] ACompT 2 (competition law, application for authorisation)

*Australian Rail Tram and Bus Industry Union v Aurizon Operations Ltd* [2023] NSWSC 484 (judicial review)

*Green v Fairfax Media Publications Pty Ltd (No 4)* [2021] WASC 474 (defamation)

*Port of Newcastle Operations Pty Ltd v Glencore Coal Assets Australia Pty Ltd* (2021) 274 CLR 565; [2021] HCA 39 (competition, review of access dispute)

*Application by New South Wales Minerals Council (No 3)* (2021) 361 FLR 24; [2021] ACompT 4 (competition, review of Minister's decision not to declare service)

*ACCC v Pacific National Pty Ltd* (2020) 277 FCR 49; [2020] FCAFC 77 (competition, alleged contravention of s 50 Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth))

## PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

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Litigation Associate, Milbank Tweed Hadley & McCloy, New York (2007-09)

Senior Lawyer, Australian Government Solicitor (2005-07)

Lecturer in Law, London School of Economics (2001-05)

## ACADEMIC PRIZES

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Prize for Excellence in Pro Bono Advocacy, Sanctuary for Families, New York (2008)

British Society of Criminology Book Prize (2004)

London School of Economics Teaching Prize (2004)

PhD Scholarship, Australian National University (1998-2001)

## PUBLICATIONS

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*Accountability in Restorative Justice* (Oxford University Press, 2003)

*Restorative Justice* (Ashgate Dartmouth, 2004)