

CURRICULUM VITAE

- Name : Damien Laracy.
- Date of Birth : June 1967, Rome.
- Education/
Qualifications : Rosmini College, Auckland – 1978-1984
LLB, University of Auckland – 1985-1989
B. Com (Marketing), University of Auckland – 1985-1989
M. Com. L (Hons), University of Auckland – 1993, 1994
Southampton University Maritime Law Short Course – August/September 1999.
- Admissions
& Jurisdictions : Admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand - 1990
Admitted as a Solicitor of the High Court of Hong Kong – 1999
Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales – 2000.
- Practising
Certificates Held: Hong Kong, UK.
- Location : Hong Kong, Permanent Resident.
- Current Practice
(Summary) : Damien was admitted as a barrister and solicitor in New Zealand in 1990. He has been a Hong Kong resident since 1995, initially working in the Hong Kong office of a London law firm.
- His practice comprises a mix of commercial litigation and arbitration, including employment and joint venture disputes, shipping and international trade related disputes.
- Damien also has experience with personal injury / fatality disputes (including aviation and shipping related injuries and fatalities).
- Current Practice:
(Detail) : **Laracy & Co., Hong Kong (Principal), in Association with Hill Dickinson Hong Kong LLP**
- Sitting as arbitrator.
 - Commercial dispute resolution (litigation and arbitration), including employment disputes, joint venture disputes, shareholders' disputes, distribution and licensing disputes, international trade disputes, shipping disputes, sale of goods disputes, financial services disputes.
 - Professional indemnity insurance issues; advising as to arbitration of coverage issues vis a vis Lloyds Underwriters / Syndicates.
 - Advising on insurance coverage and exclusion issues, including in relation to D&O cover.
 - Advice regarding potential misselling claims against banks and finance houses following sale of complex derivative products, and following allegations of improper exercise of mandate.
 - Breach of contract and misrepresentation claims against property developers.
 - Cross border debt recovery and insolvency work (including recovery against assets and against guarantors), pursuit of distressed debt.

- Personal injury disputes, fatality claims (FAO and LARCO)
- Employment disputes.
- Ship sale/purchase – non contentious:
 - Preparing opinions.
 - Preparing for and attending closings

Arbitration : Damien is admitted to the HKIAC’s Panel of Arbitrators.

Damien has been appointed by the HKIAC in numerous references. In addition Damien also receives party appointments.

In 2013, Damien was also made a Fellow of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration.

Damien is a Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

Membership of Professional Bodies: New Zealand Law Society
 Law Society of Hong Kong
 Law Society of England and Wales
 Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand.
 Hong Kong Maritime Lawyers Association
 Hong Kong Shipowners Association
 Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators (and a Panel Member of the HKIAC Panel of Arbitrators)
 Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
 Fellow of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration Panel of Arbitrators
 Inter Pacific Bar Association
 International Bar Association

Speaking Experience : Legal and maritime affairs conferences;
 Seminars in Hong Kong addressed to solicitors satisfying the Hong Kong Law Society's CPD requirements.

Court / Tribunal Appearances As Advocate : New Zealand : District Court, High Court
 Hong Kong : District Court, High Court, Court of Appeal, Arbitration (UNCITRAL and HKIAC Domestic Rules)

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Publications: Damien was a contributing author to the Hong Kong law chapter of the 2015 publication *Shipping & International Trade Law – Jurisdictional Comparisons* published by Thomson Reuters (First Edition 2011, Second Edition 2015). The scope of the book was to provide brief summaries of key facets of the law on shipping and international trade in various jurisdictions. The First Edition covered 25 jurisdictions and the Second was expanded to 36.

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