

Steven Castan

Barrister/ Nationally Accredited Mediator

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Age: 47 Years

Nationality: Australian

WORK HISTORY:

2013–Current:

Position:

- Barrister, Accredited Mediator & Family Dispute Resolution Practitioner.
- Member of Western Australian Bar.

2011-2013

- Barrister at Victorian Bar

Areas of practice:

- commercial litigation;
- property law disputes;
- debt disputes;
- family law;
- crime;
- administrative law;
- public interest law;
- human rights;
- intellectual property; media & music law

2000-2010:

Position: Sole Practitioner, El Corazon Solicitors.

Areas of practice:

- intellectual property, music, film, media and arts law for musicians, bands, writers, actors, managers, record labels, publishing labels.
- commercial litigation;
- 2008: Supervising Solicitor at Monash Oakleigh Legal Service

1998 – 2000:

Position: Solicitor, Senior Associate: Charlesworth Josem Partners;

Areas of practice:

- intellectual property, music, film, media and arts law for musicians, bands, writers, actors, managers, record labels, publishing labels;
- commercial litigation;
- court appearances in Federal, Supreme & County Court in both criminal, commercial & intellectual property law matters.
- working with Partner Bruno Charlesworth.

1996 – 1998:

Position: Solicitor: Aroni Coleman

Areas of practice:

- intellectual property, music, film, media and arts law for musicians, bands, writers, actors, managers, record labels, publishing labels;
- commercial litigation;
- court appearances in Federal, Supreme & County Court in both criminal, commercial & intellectual property law matters.
- working with Partner Bruno Charlesworth.

1996: Music management; retail work at Record Store “The Mighty Music Machine”.

1995: Admitted to Practice Law in Victoria.

1994: Articles of Clerkship Clayton Utz, Melbourne; main areas: commercial litigation, intellectual property, corporate law.

1987: Law Clerk Barker Gosling Solicitors.

EDUCATION:

1989-1994: Bachelor Laws / Bachelor of Arts Monash University
(Includes Professional Practice course @ Springvale Legal Centre)

1988: British & Australian Semester Program – Hebrew University of Jerusalem;
John Hall Art History course London; Cambridge University Summer
semester Literature program, Cambridge England.

1987: VCE Carey Baptist Grammar School.

MEMBERSHIPS:

Member of Law Society of Western Australia

Member of South West & Great Southern Law Society

President of the Margaret River Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Nationally Accredited Mediator under National Standards

Member Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators Australia (IAMA) now Resolution Institute.

Member Australian Institute of Family Law Mediators (AIFLAM)

IAMA Practitioners Certificate in Mediation

Member of I.P.S.A.N.Z. (Intellectual Property Society of Australia and New Zealand)

(Winner of the 2011 IPSANZ Victorian Mooting Trophy)

Board Member of the Cape To Cape Catchments Group
(Peak Environmental Body for Margaret River Region)

Board Member of Melbourne Montessori Foundation

Board Member of the National Justice Project (NFP Human Rights Law Firm)

WA Convener and Contributor for the Alternative Law Journal

2012: Guest lecturer at Monash University, in the Master of Laws (Juris Doctor)

2011-2012: Board member of Northern Metropolitan Institute of TAFE (NMIT)
Bachelor of Music Industry Degree Committee & guest lecturer.

2009-2012: Board member of Melbourne Montessori School

2007-2016: Board member of Native Tongue Music Publishing.

2001- continuing: Director of Feel Presents Pty Ltd Touring Company

HOBBIES:

Birding. Bird & Nature Photography; Bike Riding; Bushwalking; Camping; Collecting & Listening to Music. Citizen Science (Birds)

REFEREES:

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