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QUALIFICATIONS / EDUCATION

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<b>July 2018</b>	<i>Called to the Bar (Queensland)</i>
<b>2016</b>	<i>Master of Laws (University of Queensland)</i>
<b>2012</b>	<i>Admitted as a practitioner in the High Court of Australia</i>
<b>2010</b>	<i>Admitted as a lawyer in the Supreme Court of Queensland</i>
<b>2007</b>	<i>Admitted as Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand</i>
<b>2006</b>	<i>Bachelor of Laws (Victoria University of Wellington)</i>
<b>2005</b>	<i>Bachelor of Arts (Victoria University of Wellington)</i>

EXPERIENCE

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July 2018 –

**Barrister at law**  
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**Notable cases:**

*Dunlop & Anor v Body Corporate for Port Douglas Queensland CTS 886 & Ors (No. 2) [2021] QSC 265*  
*Gavin & Anor v Sunshine Coast Regional Council [2021] QCA 217*  
*Dunlop & Anor v Body Corporate for Port Douglas Queensland CTS 886 & Ors [2021] QSC 85 [2021] QSC 85*  
*Sunshine Coast Regional Council v Gavin & Anor [2020] QPEC 63*  
*Sandstrom & Ors v Sunshine Coast Regional Council & Windansea Boardriders Club [2020] QPEC 62*  
*Ashvan Investments Unit Trust v Brisbane City Council & Ors [2019] QPEC 16*  
*Scherbakov v Brisbane City Council [2020] QPEC 29*  
*Deathridge v McNaught [2019] QDC 165*  
*Hotel Property Investments Pty Ltd v Gold Coast Regional Council [2019] QPEC 5*

September 2016 –  
June 2018

**Thomson Geer Lawyers**  
Senior Associate

Advised and acted for developer and local government and private clients in relation to matters including town planning, local government and environmental litigation.

November 2010 – September 2016	<b>Corrs Chambers Westgarth</b> Senior Associate Advised and acted for developer and local government and private clients in relation to matters including town planning, local government and environmental litigation.
January 2007 – October 2010	<b>Simpson Grierson, Barristers and Solicitors (NZ)</b> Associate Acted for Local Government and private clients in proceedings in a range of advice and litigation relating to planning appeals, judicial review, and compulsory acquisition of land.
Dec 2005 – January 2007	<b>Environmental Risk Management Authority New Zealand</b> (now the Environmental Protection Authority), Law Clerk

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#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES / MEMBERSHIPS

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2020-2021	Member of Environmental, Planning and Property Committee of the Bar Association of Queensland
2018-	Member of Bar Association of Queensland
2013	Member of the QELA legislative reform subcommittee
2010 - 2018	Member of Queensland Law Society
2010 –	Member of the Queensland Environmental Law Association (QELA)
2007-2009	Member of the Resource Management Law Association (NZ)

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#### PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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29 November 2018	<i>Nerinda Pty Ltd v Redland City Council; Revisiting the Coty principle</i> ‘Planning and Environment Court Update’, QELA Seminar
11 May 2017	<i>The Rise of the Exception: Trump, Brexit and the new Planning Act</i> ‘Capture the Moment’ QELA Conference 2017 (10-12 May 2017)
5 March 2013	<i>Effective Environmental Dispute Resolution in the Planning and Environment Court</i> Environment and Planning Law Journal (2013) 30 EPLJ 2, 150.