

Josh Underwood

ACADEMIC

2019	BCL (Distinction), The University of Oxford Vinerian Scholar, Proxime Accessit (2nd place in cohort) Law Faculty Prize for Constitutional Theory William Asbrey Scholarship
2014	BA/LLB (First Class Honours), The University of Queensland University of Queensland Law Society Medal for Outstanding Achievement
2013	Allens Prize for Overall Excellence
2012	First-in-Class Advanced Jurisprudence
2012 – 2008	Dean's Commendation for Academic Excellence
2011	UQ Advantage Award for Social Responsibility and Leadership
2009	First-in-Class Introduction to Philosophy
2008	Sir Samuel Griffith Scholar

PROFESSIONAL

2019 – 2020	Pupil Barrister, 6KBW College Hill (selected experience) Assisting Queen's Counsel on several multi-defendant murder trials in the Central Criminal Court (Old Bailey); appearing for the prosecution and defence in relation to violent offences in the Magistrates Court; appearing for the National Probation Service in relation to breach hearings in the Crown Court; assisting Queen's Counsel to prepare submissions and pleadings in the Crown Court, Divisional Court, and Court of Appeal; assisting senior Junior Counsel on extradition and national security matters
2017 – 2018	Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (selected experience) Appearing in the District Court, Childrens Court, and Magistrates Court in relation to violent offences and pre-trial applications; preparing complex cases for trial (including murder, rape, and complex fraud matters); drafting indictments for serious violent and sexual offences; instructing Senior Crown Prosecutors at trials of serious offences, including murder
2015 – 2017	Ashurst Australia (selected experience from Brisbane and Sydney offices) Instructed Kerri Mellifont QC in <i>Davis v Commissioner of Police</i> [2016] QCA 246 (appeal allowed, acquittal entered); assisted Peter Davis QC in an ASIC investigation into alleged criminal fraud by a company director; instructed Philip Looney QC in <i>Chief Executive Administering Environmental Protection Act v Linc Energy & Ors</i> (privilege application); instructed Adrian Duffy QC in the <i>Barrett Adolescent Centre Commission of Inquiry</i> ; instructed Damian Clothier QC and Stewart Webster in six successful judicial review applications and appeals in Supreme Court, Federal Court and High Court, concerning various environmental approvals; assisted Perry Herzfeld SC in the <i>Charitable Fundraising Inquiry into RSL NSW</i> ; instructed Joshua Jones in the <i>Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse</i>
2014 – 2015	High Court of Australia Associate to the Honourable Justice PA Keane AC
2014	Australian National University Tutor in Contract Law

2013	Queensland Child Protection Commission of Inquiry Paralegal assisting with research into best practice models for child protection
2010 – 2013	University of Queensland Legal Research Assistant to: Prof Barker (Law of Restitution); Dr Hudson (Property Law); Dr Cappa (Constitutional Law); Dr James (Teaching Law); Assoc Prof Walsh (Human Rights Law, Homelessness Law, Child Protection Law) Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Law Tutor for five subjects: Principles of Public Law, Contract, Jurisprudence, Trusts
2012	Congress of the United States of America (House of Representatives) Congressional Intern; citation in Congressional Record for outstanding service
2011	Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry Law Clerk assisting with recommendations for dam management
2010	Caxton Community Legal Centre Law Clerk assisting with public interest litigation including <i>Owen v Menzies</i> [2012] QCA 270 (concerning constitutional status of the Anti-Discrimination Tribunal, and freedom of political communication); <i>Coronial Inquest into the Death in Custody of Antonio Galeano</i> (concerning legality of use of Tasers by police)

PRO BONO

2016 – 2017	Ashurst coordinator of Queensland Public Interest Law Clearing House Legal Self-Representation Service Fortnightly volunteer lawyer at Caxton Community Legal Centre evening advice sessions Acting for multiple clients with complex legal needs through Queensland Public Interest Law Clearing House's Homeless Persons Legal Clinic, and LegalPod Service (assisting clients to defend various criminal charges, obtain public housing, ensure custody of children, and avoid bankruptcy)
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PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

2020	6KBW Law Blog, <i>The impact of Coronavirus, part 5: the Coronavirus Act 2020</i> (with Annie Fendrich)
2016	Seminar: "No man shall profit by his own wrong" Seminar: <i>Baden-Clay v R</i> [2015] QCA 265 (sufficiency of circumstantial evidence) "Drafting arbitration clauses: the may vs. shall debate" Ashurst International Arbitration Alert (with Joseph Harrington)
2015	Seminar: <i>PT Bayan v BCBC Singapore</i> [2014] HCA 36 (asset freezing orders) "ICC Commission Report on Decisions on Costs in International Arbitration" <i>Ashurst International Arbitration Alert</i> (with Tom Cummins and Don Ferguson) "Compensation for native title - are you liable?" <i>Ashurst Native Title Alert</i> (with Clare Lawrence)
2014	Dissertation: <i>The Nature of the Role of the Admiralty Marshal</i> (Supervisor, Prof Sarah Derrington, as her Honour then was) (awarded High Distinction)