

Jessica Antal

Pro Bono Manager

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About Jessica

Jessica Antal utilises her background in litigation, competition and regulatory law matters to advise on and assist with managing *pro bono* matters undertaken by our Australian offices in her role as a dedicated *pro bono* lawyer.

Jessica has provided a broad range of assistance to *pro bono* clients, particularly in relation to criminal injury compensation claims. Jessica works closely with colleagues in Australia and across our global offices to identify and provide the right support to our *pro bono* clients based on their needs, supporting the firm's commitment making a meaningful contribution in removing the barriers to justice.

Experience

Pro Bono

- Acting on a criminal injury compensation claim on behalf of a *pro bono* client for offences committed by two separate offenders, resulting in a combined compensation award of AU\$191,000, including the maximum payout possible for offences committed by one of the two offenders.
- Advising on a criminal injury compensation claim on behalf of a *pro bono* client, resulting in a compensation award of AU\$84,000.
- Advising on a criminal injury compensation claim on behalf of a *pro bono* client, resulting in a compensation award of AU\$149,000.
- Successful settling of Magistrates Court of Western Australia proceedings lodged against a *pro bono* client following years of family violence, harassment and intimidation against the client.
- Undertaking a secondment to act as the principal lawyer for a Geraldton-based not-for-profit organisation supporting community members experiencing hardship.

Commercial Litigation

- Assisting in preparing for multimillion-dollar proceedings before the Federal Court of Australia in relation to a contractual dispute.

- Assisting in relation to Federal Court of Australia proceedings regarding an alleged breach of directors' duties.
- Liaising with key witnesses, drafting witness statements and pleadings in Federal Court of Australia proceedings brought in relation to industrial action.
- Assisting in relation to an unfair dismissal matter brought by a high-profile client before the Fair Work Commission.

Competition, Regulatory and Compliance

- Assisting in a long-standing misleading and deceptive conduct proceeding brought in the Federal Court of Australia under the Australian Consumer Law, spanning several years.
- Reviewing and updating compliance policies and procedures for key clients, including fraud corruption control plans, anti-bribery and anti-corruption policies, conflict of interest policies and whistleblower policies.
- Advising an Australian client with operations in the Democratic Republic of Congo on its anti-bribery and anti-corruption obligations.
- Conducting document review in relation to the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry.

Credentials

Education

- University of Notre Dame Australia, LL.B., 2017
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Admissions

- Supreme Court of Western Australia, 2018

Memberships & Affiliations

- Member, Law Society of Western Australia

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