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About Joseph

Joe Perkins is a senior associate in the Litigation Practice Group, specialising in providing commercially focused advice in large-scale international arbitrations and construction disputes.

Joe acts for companies throughout the construction contracting chain and his experience encompasses a range of business sectors including major infrastructure, energy and resources, civil engineering and building projects. Additionally, Joe provides project advisory advice in the construction and engineering arena.

Joe also acts in a broad range commercial disputes, both in court and arbitration.

Experience

Construction Litigation

- Advising on a High Court (TCC) dispute concerning the resurfacing of a world-class racing circuit used by Formula 1, MotoGP and other motor racing series in the UK.
- Advising a fit-out contractor in adjudication proceedings in relation to loss and expense disputes arising from the fit-out of a luxury hotel redevelopment in London pursuant to an amended JCT Design and Build contract.
- Advising a local government council employer in adjudication proceedings, in respect of delays and cost overruns to the construction of a tramway and terminus in Blackpool under an New Engineering Contract (NEC3) form of contract.
- Acting for an Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contractor in respect of delay and loss and expense claims (both in litigation and adjudications) against a subcontractor supplier of concrete and foundation works on the Western Turner Syncline Stage 2 Project in the Pilbara, Western Australia.

International Dispute Resolution

- Acting for a consortium of French and North Macedonian construction companies in respect of extensions of time and defective work claims in emergency arbitration and arbitral proceedings under the ICC Rules in Paris, France, arising from a FIDIC Red Book construction contract for wastewater collection infrastructure in Skopje, North Macedonia.

- Acting for a Chinese state-owned enterprise and supplier of heavy mining equipment for the AU\$11 billion Roy Hill Project in its disputes with an upstream contractor concerning late payment and defective work claims. The dispute culminated in an arbitration hearing in Singapore conducted under the UNCITRAL Rules in 2019.
- Advising clients, including the head contractor and a lower-tier joint venture party, involved in multiple arbitration proceedings under the ICC Rules in Singapore and Sydney arising from delays and cost overruns on the AU\$65 billion Ichthys liquified natural gas (LNG) Project.

Commercial Litigation

- Advising an online music and media platform on its remedies against the designer/supplier of a defective mobile application.
- Advising a developer on their rights against an international bank in respect of the drawing of funds held by way of an advanced payment guarantee.
- Advising a corporate finance and advisory firm regarding potential professional negligence claims against a barrister.

Construction Advisory

- Advising a television and film production company in respect of the development and construction of a £170 million-plus film studio in Dagenham, UK.
- Advising a multinational hotel chain in respect of cladding related rectification works across various properties in the UK.
- Advising a Japanese joint venture on compliance issues arising from the supply of rail dampers to the North West Rail Link Project in Sydney.
- Secondment to the head contractor of the AU\$2 billion Forrestfield Airport Link Project in Perth, Australia in respect of delay related disputes with a tunnel and rail subcontractor.

Credentials

Education

- College of Law Western Australia Graduate Diploma, Legal Practice, 2018
- University of Western Australia, J.D., 2017
- University of Western Australia, B.A., 2014

Admissions

- Supreme Court of Western Australia, 2018

Expertise

Services

- Litigation

Industries

- Construction & Engineering

Publications

- Co-author, "Timetable for security for payment reform in Western Australia," *Australian Construction Law Newsletter*.

- Co-author, "Carving out – Enforcing payment due under a payment certificate capable of summary relief," *Australian Construction Law Newsletter*.
- Co-author, "Security of payment reform in Western Australia – What to expect and what you will need to do differently," *Australian Construction Law Newsletter*.
- Co-author, "How two recent cases may change adjudications in Western Australia," *Australian Construction Law Newsletter*.

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