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About Tom

Tom Haystead is special counsel in the Litigation Practice Group, with more than a decade of experience advising individuals and companies in complex, high-stakes commercial and regulatory matters.

Tom's practice includes general commercial litigation, public and administrative law and civil enforcement proceedings. He has particular experience in white collar criminal prosecutions and regulatory investigations, and has represented clients who are the subject of investigations and prosecutions by the Australian Federal Police, the Office of the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions, the Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) and various Australian environmental agencies.

Tom has acted for clients in the New South Wales Supreme Court, the Court of Criminal Appeal, the Supreme Courts of Western Australia and the Northern Territory, the Federal Court of Australia and the High Court.

Experience

- Acting for the Australian subsidiary of a US Fortune 500 engineering and construction company in Australia's second corporate prosecution for foreign bribery (at first instance, in the New South Wales Court of Criminal Appeal and in the High Court of Australia).
- Acting for the defendant in a high-profile prosecution brought by the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions in relation to charges of alleged insider trading.
- Acting for a large banking corporation in relation to recoveries and third-party claims as a result of the largest banking fraud in Australian history.
- Acting for the defendant in proceedings brought by the Australian Securities and Investment Commission in relation to alleged breaches of directors' duties under the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).
- Acting for a ratings agency in defence of seven concurrent class actions in the Federal Court of Australia in relation to AA and AAA ratings designated to complex derivatives, referred to as synthetic collateralised debt obligations, purchased by Australian investors.

- Acting for the defendant in the prosecution of a Western Australian manufacturer arising under the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA).
- Acting in the Supreme Court of New South Wales in proceedings against various Australian subcontractors and providers to recover losses incurred by the company as a result of the failure of the 2016 online census.
- Acting in a *pro bono* capacity for asylum-seekers before the Full Federal Court of Australia in relation to various related appellate proceedings under the Migration Act 1958 (Cth).
- Acting for a large Australian engineering company in a hospital construction dispute in a suit brought by the Northern Territory government.
- Acting for an international drilling and exploration company in proceedings in the Supreme Court of South Australia relating to a dispute over the purchase of an Australian drilling company.
- Acting for a Western Australian electricity generator in multiple proceedings in the Supreme Court of Western Australia relating to intellectual property rights.
- Acting on behalf of a listed Canadian mining company in appellate proceedings relating to various assessments of stamp duty payable on the purchase of mining tenements in Western Australia and the Northern Territory.

Credentials

Education

- Queensland University of Technology, Bachelor of Laws, first class honours, 2011

Courts

- High Court of Australia, 2015
- Federal Court of Australia, 2015
- Supreme Court of New South Wales, 2015
- Supreme Court of Western Australia, 2013
- Supreme Court of the Northern Territory, 2011

Recognitions

- Faculty of Law Dean's Research Scholar (QUT)
- Faculty of Law Advocacy Prize 2011 (QUT)
- Associate to the Honourable Justice Peter Barr, Supreme Court of the Northern Territory (2012)

Expertise

Services

- Litigation
- Environmental, Safety & Health
- Government Investigations & White Collar

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