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Adam accepts briefs in all areas of law. The focus of his practice is equity, commercial, and administrative law.

Adam has appeared both led and unled in trials and appeals in a range of courts and tribunals. His recent experience includes:

- appearing on behalf of consumers in the Volkswagen emissions cheating class action;
- appearing for Rugby Australia in tribunal and Fair Work Commission proceedings in its dispute with Israel Folau
- appearing for electricity distributors in merits review and judicial review proceedings against the Australian Energy Regulator;
- appearing for the producers of the film *Mad Max: Fury Road* in proceedings against Warner Bros.;
- appearing for children of Gina Rinehart in a number of family trust disputes;
- conducting public examinations into the affairs of the former mining company Chameleon Mining NL;
- appearing for Treasury Wine Estates in shareholder class action proceedings brought against it; and
- appearing for noteholders in class action proceedings in relation to notes issued by MFS



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Adam does significant *pro bono* work (mostly migration), including addressing the High Court in the matter of *Minister for Immigration v SZSSJ* (2016) 259 CLR 180. He is also briefed regularly by Legal Aid NSW (mostly in social housing and mental health matters) and by the NSW Attorney-General (mostly in charitable trust matters).

Prior to coming to the Bar in 2012, Adam was a senior associate at Freehills (now Herbert Smith Freehills) where he practised in commercial litigation and employment law. He completed a Master of Laws at Columbia University, New York, in 2010 and was ranked first in his year. Adam was also awarded the Con Varnavas Award for the highest aggregate score in the NSW Bar exams.

## Rankings

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