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OVERVIEW

Ayman Guirguis advises clients on all aspects of antitrust and competition law as well as consumer law.

Ayman has a wealth of experience advising clients on:

- Merger clearance, including in particular making applications for merger notifications/clearance, particularly having regard to the change in Australia to a mandatory merger notification regime;
- Joint ventures and on supply chain arrangements between suppliers and customers;
- Allegations of cartel conduct (price fixing, market sharing or bid rigging), including making immunity and leniency applications, competitor interactions at Industry Associations;
- Other anti-competitive allegations such as misuse of market power, exclusivities; as well as
- On the Australian Consumer Law, including advertising and sales, marketing practices as well as compliance programs and audits.

He also has significant experience in assisting clients responding to regulatory investigations by the ACCC, and defending court actions/prosecutions by the ACCC and other market participants, and advising on, setting up and implementing competition law and consumer law compliance programs.

Ayman has acted for clients across a range of industries including petroleum, oil and gas, property and construction, financial services, packaging, IT, retail, including food and fast moving consumer goods (FMCG) and pharmaceutical.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Ayman was a partner of two national Australian firms for a period of 16 years. He was also a senior officer in both the Mergers Branch and Enforcement branches of the ACCC.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *Chambers Asia-Pacific* for Competition/Antitrust in Australia, 2008-2026

"I love that Ayman is really practical. He is a joy to work with." and "Ayman is very approachable and has in-depth understanding of antitrust law. His commercial acumen and attention to detail are second to none." *(Chambers Asia-Pacific* 2026*)*

"I have been dealing with Ayman for more than ten years and have followed him between firms due to his deep industry knowledge and quick, commercial and pragmatic advice." and "Ayman is a pleasure to work with. He is deeply knowledgeable and incredibly practical and pragmatic." (*Chambers Asia-Pacific* 2024)

Ayman Guirguis "is very commercial, practical, easy to work with and responsive. He also has extensive and impressive experience across a range of sectors and clients, and has his finger on the pulse in relation to competition law developments and areas of regulatory focus." (*Chambers Asia-Pacific* 2022)

Ayman Guirguis is identified by sources as "someone who takes the big picture and looks for solutions, as well as providing excellent legal analysis." *(Chambers Asia-Pacific* 2021*)*

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as a Leading Partner for Competition and Trade in Australia, 2022-2026

"Ayman Guirguis is a stand out in this space. Ayman is attentive, highly responsive, knowledgeable, and experienced. Ayman is deeply experienced in liaising with regulators and understands what is required. Ayman's advice is practical, honest, and succinct, all of which are critical when working to strict timeframes." *(The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2024)

"Ayman is well-respected, experienced and easy to work with. You always feel like he is giving you 110% attention and effort. He is refreshingly practical and realistic rather than being overly conservative. He goes out of his way to keep in touch. As he has clients across a number of industries, he sees a breadth of issues and regulatory engagement which is insightful." (*The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2023)

"Ayman Guirguis is a long-term legal partner and advisor to our business. He has a wide breadth of knowledge and experience which is highly trusted by our team." *(The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2023)

"Ayman Guirguis is very knowledgeable on competition and consumer law issues. He is also very easy to work with and has a deep understanding of our business, which makes him a valuable legal partner." (*The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2023)

- Recognised by *Doyles Guide* as a Leading Competition Lawyer in Australia, 2026
- Listed by *Lexology Index* (Formerly *Who's Who Legal*) Thought Leaders: Competition, 2024-2025
- Recommended by *Who's Who Legal* (Global) in the area of Competition, 2012-2023
- Recommended by *Who's Who Legal* (Australia) in the area of Competition, 2017-2023
- Recognised as a Global Elite Thought Leader by *Who's Who Legal* in the area of Competition, 2021
- Listed *Euromoney's Expert Guide* for Competition and Antitrust in Australia, 2020-2021
- Finalist in the *Lawyers Weekly* Partner of the Year Awards for Competition, Trade and Regulation, 2020-2021

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as a Recommended Lawyer in Australia
  - Regulatory Compliance and Investigations, 2018-2020
  - Competition and Trade, 2015-2021
- Listed in *The Best Lawyers in Australia*™
  - Competition Law, 2013-2027
  - Commercial Law, 2025-2027

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Law Council of Australia Competition and Consumer Law Committee member
- American Bar Association member
- International Bar Association member
- Association of Corporate Counsel member
- Law Society of New South Wales member

EDUCATION

- LL.M., University of Sydney, 1999
- LL.B., University of Sydney, 1987
- Bachelor of Economics, University of Sydney, 1985

ADMISSIONS

- Federal Court of Australia
- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of New South Wales
- Supreme Court of Victoria

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 14 September 2026, Key Refinements to Streamline Australia's Merger Control Regime Passed Into Law: Threshold for Control Increased, Removal of Voiding Provisions and Changes to "Stale" Notification Timelines
- 12 August 2026, Competition and Consumer Law Round-Up
- 2 June 2026, Competition and Consumer Law Round-Up

- 25 May 2026, Discount Or Deception? Coles Found to Have Misled Consumers in "Down Down" Promotions
- 14 April 2026, Significant Changes for Australian Competition and Consumer Laws: Doubling of Penalties to AU$100 Million (Per Offence) and Unfair Trading Practices to Be Prohibited
- 10 March 2026, Cracking Down on Manipulative and False Practices; Promoting Competition in Digital Markets and Compliance on Consumer Guarantees: ACCC 2026–2027 Compliance and Enforcement Priorities
- 2 March 2026, Unreasonable Manipulation, Unreasonable Distortion (Dark Patterns) to be Banned—Stronger Protections Regarding Subscriptions and Drip Pricing—Unfair Trading Prohibition Proposed
- February 2026, Australian CPD Series 2026: Australia's New Merger Regime is Now Live –Mandatory Clearance is Now Required if You Cross Certain Thresholds: What Businesses Need to Know
- 3 February 2026, Australia's New Mandatory and Suspensory Merger Regime: A Snapshot
- 11 November 2025, October 2025 ESG Policy Update—Australia
- 10 November 2025, September 2025 ESG Policy Update—Australia
- 29 August 2025, Australia's Incoming Mandatory and Suspensory Merger Regime: A Ready Reckoner and Flowchart
- 25 July 2025, Competition and Consumer Law Round-Up
- 16 July 2025, Australia's New Merger Clearance Regime Begins: Government Confirms Notification Thresholds, Exceptions to Notification and Application Form Requirements
- 11 June 2025, Full Cost Recovery Proposed for Application Fees Under Australia's Mandatory Merger Clearance Regime
- 5 June 2025, Competition and Consumer Law Round-Up
- 16 May 2025, Private Equity in Australia: Upcoming Mandatory Merger Laws and Foreign Investment Changes
- 31 March 2025, Australian Mandatory Merger Clearance: Regime Details starting to Emerge–Government publishes Draft Determination, ACCC publishes Draft Guidelines
- 4 March 2025, Retail Competition and Fair Trading, Cost of Living Measures, Unfair Contract Terms, Mergers: ACCC Releases Its 2025-26 Compliance and Enforcement Priorities
- February 2025, Australian CPD Series 2025
- February 2025, Australian CPD Series 2025: Mandatory ACCC Clearance for Acquisitions: How This Seismic Change Will Affect Your Business and Other Key Upcoming Changes to Competition and Consumer Laws
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- 5 February 2025, Competition and Consumer Law Round-Up
- 29 November 2024, Deal Done: Mandatory Merger Clearance in Australia Becomes Law
- 15 November 2024, Competition and Consumer Law Round-Up
- 21 October 2024, Australia Greenwashing: Half-Yearly Review of ASIC and ACCC Prosecutions–and ACCC Position on Environmental Collaborations
- 16 October 2024, Australia Mandatory Merger Clearance: Government Decides on Thresholds—Introduces Legislation
- 9 September 2024, Australian Government Proposes Monetary and Market Share Thresholds for Mandatory Merger Clearance Regime
- 7 August 2024, Unfair Contract Terms Continue to be a Major Enforcement Priority for ASIC and the ACCC: Prosecutions of PayPal and Auto & General Insurance
- 28 May 2024, May 2024 ESG Policy Update—Australia
- 12 April 2024, Government Announces Australia to Have a Mandatory and Suspensory Merger Control Regime
- 12 March 2024, Cost of Living, Sustainability and the Digital Economy: ACCC Releases Its 2024-25 Compliance and Enforcement Priorities
- 21 February 2024, Australian CPD Series 2024
- 21 February 2024, Australian CPD Series 2024: Recent Developments in Competition and Consumer Law–Changes to the Laws, Key Prosecutions and Legal Actions
- 21 February 2024, Australian CPD Series 2024
- 21 February 2024, Australian CPD Series 2024: Recent Developments in Competition and Consumer Law–Changes to the Laws, Key Prosecutions and Legal Actions
- 17 January 2024, Australian Unfair Contract Terms Laws and International Business: High Court Finds Global Contract Subject to Australian Laws and Class Action Waiver Clause to be Unfair
- 10 November 2023, Expanded Unfair Contract Terms Regime Has Commenced - Are You Compliant?
- 26 October 2023, Is *'Freedom-Washing'* the New Greenwashing, and What are its Legal Consequences?
- 20 July 2023, The ACCC's Eight Commandments for Environmental and Sustainability Claims and Avoiding Greenwashing and Breaches of the Australian Consumer Law
- 28 March 2023, Pricing and Selling of Essential Services, Greenwashing, Unfair Contract Terms, Among the ACCC's 2023-24 Compliance and Enforcement Priorities

- 27 March 2023, Legislative Corrosion of Time Bars in Construction Contracts
- 3 March 2023, So You're Green – Prove It or Be Prosecuted: ACCC Sweep Finds 57% of Green Claims "Concerning"
- 27 September 2022, One Size Does Not Fit All: Court Declares 38 Terms in Fujifilm Small Business Contracts to be Unfair and Void
- 23 August 2022, The Government Ramps up Penalties for Competition and Consumer Law Breaches - AU$50 Million or 30% Turnover for Companies and AU$2.5 Million for Individuals
- 21 July 2022, Greater Penalties for Competition Breaches and Unfair Terms, Responsiveness to Super Complaints: The Labor Government's Approach to Competition & Consumer Laws
- 8 March 2022, Greenwashing, Digital Advertising and Platform Issues, Financial Services and Consumer Guarantees: What the ACCC's 2022/23 Priorities Mean for Your Business
- February 2022, Unfair Contract Terms - Significant Broadening of Scope and Penalties for Breaches: Is Your Business Prepared?
- 21 October 2021, Unfair Contract Terms – Significant Broadening of Scope and Penalties for Breaches: Is your Business Prepared?
- 23 September 2021, Australian Active Wear Business Fined AU$5 Million for Making False and Misleading COVID-19 Apparel Claims
- 5 March 2021, Regulating the Economic Pie: Key Takeaways From the ACCC's 2021 Enforcement Priorities
- 11 November 2020, Suppliers, Are You Prepared? Consumer Guarantees to Apply to More Goods and Services from July 2021
- 19 October 2020, Prohibition on Advertising Below the RRP Amounts to Illegal Resale Price Maintenance, ACCC Alleges
- 8 October 2020, COVID-19 (Australia): Updated Guide to ACCC Authorisations (October 2020)
- 18 August 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) August 2020 Update to the Guide to ACCC Approvals on Industry Collaboration
- 18 June 2020, Australian Merger Control: SLC v Industry Engineering or Economic Theory – Takeaways From Vodafone/TPG & Pacific National
- 5 June 2020, Clarity for Consumer Data Right Participants on Regulatory Obligations: Is Your Business Ready?
- 20 May 2020, COVID-19 (Australia): Guide to ACCC Approvals on Industry Collaboration
- 13 May 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) Beware and Behold: Grounded Events and ACL Obligations During COVID-19 Recovery

- 10 April 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) Government Bans Price Gouging, Exploitative Exports of Personal Protective Equipment
- 8 April 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) Cancellations, Guarantees and Other Statements: Australian Consumer Law Obligations During COVID-19
- 3 April 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) Competitor Collaboration in the Shadow of COVID-19 - The ACCC Takes a Pragmatic Approach
- 28 February 2020, Milk, Batteries, Healthy Snacks, two Cartels and a Coffin: The ACCC Enforcement Shopping List
- 14 February 2020, Trivago Shows you all the Different Prices…or Does it?
- 12 August 2019, ACCC's Digital Platforms Report: Market Power in Advertising, Search Services & Media & Privacy Implications
- 2 August 2019, Australian Mid-Market M&A Report
- 29 July 2019, Ready or not, Competition Law Exemptions for IP Rights are About to be Repealed
- 3 May 2019, Changes to ACL Mandatory Wording for Warranties Against Defects. Are you Ready?
- 5 April 2019, Who's the Fairest of Them all? Government and Opposition Battle Over Small Business Contract Protections
- 8 February 2019, ACCC 'Takes off' Against Airline's no Refund Policies: Passenger Transport, Hospitality & Leisure Providers Beware
- 14 December 2018, ACCC Seeks to Curb Digital Platform Market Power, Facebook Hits Back
- 27 November 2018, IP Exemptions to Competition Laws to be Removed: Restrictions in Licences to be Subject to Competition and Consumer Act 2010
- 24 August 2018, Penalties for Australian Consumer Law Breaches Increase Tenfold (if not More)
- 7 August 2018, Continued Antitrust Enforcement Against Non-Compliant Manufacturers in Europe: Significant Penalties Imposed for Fixing Resale Prices
- 19 July 2018, Merger Parties Beware: ACCC Commences First Gun Jumping Cartel Prosecution
- 21 May 2018, Supplying Products & Managing Margin Down Under: Online Price Erosion Strategies for Product Manufacturers in Australia and New Zealand
- 11 April 2018, Australia's Fines Not High Enough: The ACCC Redoubles its Focus and Sets out its Priorities
- 21 February 2018, Australian First: Criminal Charges Laid Against Individuals for Alleged Cartel Conduct
- 01 February 2018, EU Judgment On Banning Sales Via Online Marketplaces - What Does It Mean For Non-Luxury Brands?

- 20 October 2017, Harper Amendments to Australia's Competition Laws Passed: ACCC Heralds a "new era" in Competition Law
- 14 September 2017, Unfair Contract Terms in Small Business Contracts: ACCC Takes its First Court Action Against JJ Richards
- 26 July 2017, ACCC and CrownBet Roll the Dice - Apply for Judicial Review of Tabcorp/Tatts Merger Authorisation
- 27 February 2017, Higher Penalties, Construction, Health and Energy: the ACCC Sets its Enforcement Priorities for 2017
- 15 December 2016, It is the Reality of the Commercial Relationship That Counts: Travel Agent Flight Centre is a Competitor to the Airlines
- 24 November 2016, Franchising Update
- 23 November 2016, ACCC Continues Probe into Offers of Extended Warranties
- 22 November 2016, Competition Law: Merger Clearance in Australia
- 3 August 2016, Are you Ready for the Extension of the Unfair Contract Terms Regime to Small Business?
- 27 July 2016, Are you Ready for the Extension of the Unfair Contract Terms Regime to Franchise Agreements?

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- "Australia Greenwashing: Half-Yearly Review of ASIC and ACCC Prosecutions — and ACCC Position on Environmental Collaborations," *Kluwer Competition Law Blog*, October 2024
- "Australia Mandatory Merger Clearance: Government Decides on Thresholds," *Kluwer Competition Law Blog,* October 2024
- "The Australian Government Ramps up Penalties for Competition and Consumer Law Breaches – AU$50 Million or 30% Turnover for Companies and AU$2.5 Million for Individuals," *Kluwer Competition Law Blog*, August 2022
- "Piercing the privilege veil in criminal cartels in Australia: Practical considerations for immunity (and leniency) applicants in seeking to reconcile their disclosure obligations", *ABA/IBA International Cartel Workshop*, June 2022
- "An offer you can't refuse: big changes coming to the Unfair Contract Terms regime," *Law Society Journal*, 8 April 2022
- "Anti-trust in a Time of Global Crisis: An Australia Perspective," *Australian Law Council's Annual Competition and Consumer Law Workshop*, November 2020
- "Competition Law: Merger Clearance in Australia," *Negotiated Acquisitions and Buyouts*, November 2016

- Chapter 2 - Australia, *The Cartels and Leniency Review - Edition 3*, January 2015
- Chapter 1 - Australia, *The Dominance & Monopolies Review*, September 2014

NEWS & EVENTS

- 7 July 2026, K&L Gates Advises Centuria Capital Group on AU$450 Million Capital Raising and Joint Venture Acquisition
- 16 April 2026, More Than 80 K&L Gates Lawyers Across Asia-Pacific Recognised in 2027 Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch Editions
- 8 April 2026, K&L Gates Advises Olam Holdings on US$375 Million Sale of Mindsprint to Wipro
- 18 February 2026, K&L Gates Advises on AU$90.7 Million A-Grade Office Acquisition
- 3 February - 19 February 2026, 2026 CPD Program–Australia
- 14 January 2026, K&L Gates Recognised in *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* 2026
- 11 December 2025, *Chambers Asia-Pacific* 2026 Guide Recognises K&L Gates
- 11 February - 20 February 2025, 2025 CPD Program–Australia
- 15 January 2025, The Legal 500 Recognises K&L Gates In 2025 Asia Pacific Edition
- 13 February - 21 February 2024, 2024 CPD Program–Australia
- 17 January 2024, The Legal 500 Recognises K&L Gates in 2024 Asia Pacific Edition
- 14 December 2023, Chambers Asia-Pacific 2024 Guide Recognises K&L Gates
- 7 February - 16 February 2023, 2023 CPD Program–Australia
- 16 January 2023, The Legal 500 Recognizes K&L Gates in 2023 Asia Pacific Edition
- 13 January 2022, Legal 500 Recognizes K&L Gates in 2022 Asia Pacific Guide
- 16 December 2021, Chambers Asia-Pacific 2022 Guide Recognises K&L Gates
- 23 November 2021, K&L Gates Assists Americold on Cold Store Acquisitions
- 14 September 2021, K&L Gates Assists HP in Restructuring HP Online Stores in Australia & New Zealand: Obtains Clearance From ACCC & NZCC for Resale Price Maintenance
- 10 August 2021, K&L Gates Acts for Dicker Data in AU$68 Million Acquisition
- 23 June 2021, K&L Gates Assists GlobalX In Securing ACCC Clearance for D&D Sale
- 18 June 2021, K&L Gates Acts for Sweden's Sinch in US$1.3 Billion Australian Acquisition
- 16 December 2020, K&L Gates Recognized in Chambers 2021 Asia Pacific and FinTech Guides

- 8 April 2020, K&L Gates Advises Pharmaceutical Wholesalers on Successful Application for COVID-19 Collaboration

OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- Mentioned, "K&L Gates Advises Centuria Capital Group on AU$450 Million Capital Raising and Joint Venture Acquisition", *Europe Says*, 7 July 2026
- Quoted, "'Disappointing': Lawyers bemoan loss of ability to challenge ACCC's merger decisions in court", *Lawyerly*, April 2024
- Mentioned, "Americold's AU$1.7 Billion Acquisition of Agro", *Global Legal Chronicle*, December 2021
- Mentioned, "Dicker Data buys New Zealand's 'second-largest' IT distributor", *LawyersWeekly.com.au*, August 2021
- Mentioned, "Dye & Durham's AU$170 Million Acquisition of GlobalX", *Global Legal Chronicle*, June 2021
- Mentioned, "K&L Gates assists in GlobalX merger", *LawyersWeekly.com.au,* June 2021
- Mentioned, "Swedish comms giant makes billion-dollar Aussie acquisition", *LawyersWeekly.com.au*, June 2021
- Mentioned, "Visy completes landmark glass packaging acquisition", *LawyersWeekly.com.au*, August 2020
- Mentioned, " ACCC greenlights pharmaceutical collaboration during COVID-19", *LawyersWeekly.com.au,* April 2020

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Antitrust and Competition
- White Collar Defense and Investigations

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Electronics
- Consumer Goods and Services
- Energy
- Household Goods
- Luxury Products and Fashion
- Technology
- Telecommunication and Mobile

- Utilities

EMERGING ISSUES

- ESG - Sustainability and Responsible Business

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Merger Clearance

- Obtained ACCC clearance for a major transport and logistics provider in relation to three acquisitions, two of which are as yet not public.
- Obtained ACCC clearance/waiver for Blackbird of its acquisition Baseten and is seeking clearance of Halter.
- Obtained ACCC clearance for Airtree on its effective acquisition of HotDoc.
- Assisted Chemist Warehouse franchisees in making submissions to the ACCC in support of the application for clearance from the ACCC of the Chemist Warehouse/Sigma merger.
- Obtained ACCC clearance for a digital health provider's acquisition of Medical Director (supply of practice management services to GPs).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for Visy Industries' acquisition of Owens-Illinois' glass manufacturing and beneficiation business in Australia.
- Obtained ACCC clearance for Sinch's acquisition of Message Media (supply of wholesale and retail broadcast SMS services to business).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for Americold's proposed acquisition of Agro Coldstores/Doboy; seeking ACCC clearance for Americold's proposed acquisition of Lago (both transactions, involve the supply of third-party cold storage services).
- Acted for GlobalX and obtained ACCC clearance for Dye & Durham's proposed acquisition of GlobalX (supply of search services to law firms and banks, conveyancing software services and practice management software to law firms).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for a leading provider of water and wastewater treatment solutions in the sale of its water business to Dupont (supply of water treatment services).
- Acted for a provider of data and telecommunications services in the ACCC court proceedings regarding the acquisition of a telecommunications company.
- Acted for BlueScope Steel in the ACCC court proceedings regarding the acquisition of Aurizon's intermodal logistics business by Pacific National.
- Obtained ACCC clearance for Continental AG's proposed acquisition of Kmart Tyre and Auto network (the supply of tyre retailing services).

- Acted for BASF in its acquisition of the divested assets from the merger of two agrochemical companies (the supply of agriproducts and ancillary products).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for acquisitions by Qscan in the medical imaging and radiology markets in Australia (supply of medical diagnostics services).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for acquisitions by Superior Food Services in foodservice markets in Australia (supply of foodservices distribution).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for Archer Daniels Midland's proposed AU$3.4 billion takeover of GrainCorp (supply of grain storage services).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for the sale of Australian Power & Gas to AGL (supply of energy retailing services).
- Obtained ACCC clearance for a global oil and gas company's sale of its Australian retail assets to Caltex and ultimately to 7-Eleven (supply of petrol retailing).
- Obtained ACCC clearance in Australia and New Zealand for the proposed acquisition by Visy Industries of a major plastic packaging manufacturer (supply of single stage plastics manufacture).

Investigations, Litigation and Advisory

- Defended a global oil and gas company in an investigation by, and then court action/prosecution by, the ACCC alleging misleading or deceptive conduct in relation to petrol being supplied at its branded wholesalers/retailers.
- Defending Perfection Fresh Australia in an investigation by, and then court action/prosecution by, the ACCC alleging cartel conduct in the supply of fresh produce to ALDI.
- Successfully sought clearance in Australia from the ACCC, and in New Zealand from the NZ Commerce Commission for an information technology company for certain resale price maintenance on the information technology companies online stores and the information technology companies stores on online market places – this is the first such clearance in NZ and only the second in Australia; Obtained clearance for the information technology company from the ACCC for resale price maintenance conduct on the information technology companies online stores.
- Successfully sought clearance/authorisation from the ACCC allowing National Pharmaceutical Services Association (NPSA) and the four major pharmaceutical wholesalers in Australia to collaborate and if required limit supplies of certain medicines in the face of spikes in demand due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to collectively negotiate with Australia's Department of Health regarding arrangements for the distribution of COVID-19 Vaccines.
- Acted for Engage Marine, new entrant into towage and shipping pilotage, in the ACCC's first prosecution under the new Misuse of Market Power provisions.
- Defended Nutrien/Landmark in a prosecution by the ACCC alleging misleading conduct in the marketing of barley.

- Advised rental car companies (Thrifty, Hertz, Europcar, Enterprise) in seeking clearance/authorisation from the ACCC to collectively negotiate terms with Cairns Airport.
- Advised major engineered stone manufacturers (Caesarstone, Smartstone and WK Marble and Granite) in seeking clearance/authorisation from the ACCC to require fabricator accreditation and potential refusal to supply.
- Advised an information technology company in an investigation by the ACCC into the installation of firmware into its printers to limit use of cartridges with third-party chips.
- Successfully sought clearance/authorisation from the ACCC for Clubs Australia in its application to the ACCC to collectively negotiate with suppliers including Tabcorp and Foxtel.
- Advised Visy Industries in an investigation by the ACCC into Unfair Contract Terms in the waste management industry.
- Defended a global oil and gas company in Australia's largest 'dawn raids' by the ACCC alleging price fixing in the petroleum and bitumen industries and successfully defending proceedings commenced by the ACCC alleging price fixing.
- Advising a global online marketplace and retailer on a number of Australian competition and consumer law related issues.
- Advised an international Investment Bank in the ACCC's investigation of cartel conduct into foreign exchange and other bank benchmark rates.
- Advising senior executives of JP Morgan in the ACCC's/ Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions' (CDPP) prosecution of a number of banks alleging into cartel conduct in financial services in respect of a capital raising.
- Acted for Peak Care (and one of its executives) in the criminal prosecution by the ACCC/ CDPP of Country Care for cartel conduct.
- Advising the immunity applicant in an ACCC prosecution alleging cartel conduct in the supply of steel products in Australia.
- Defended an information technology company in proceedings commenced by the ACCC alleging misleading or deceptive conduct and breaches of the Australian Consumer Guarantee regime.
- Advised LPO Group on collective negotiation issues and seeking Authorisation from the ACCC for collective negotiations with Australia Post.
- Advising Honda Australia on its response to Australia wide airbag recalls.
- Defended Arnott's in an ACCC investigation of claims by its biscuit business.

Compliance Program Rollout and Training

- Rolled out national compliance programs for Visy Industries, Honda Australia, Belkin, CIMIC/Leighton Group companies, De-Longhi and Medical Media.

- Provided compliance training to ANZ, Medibank, GMHBA, Leidos, McDonald Jones Homes, Porter Davis, Carlisle Homes and Stockland.