

Angus Groves

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OVERVIEW

Angus Groves is a special counsel in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice. He acts across a range of industries for national and global clients and has been involved in court, arbitral and tribunal proceedings and expert determinations throughout Australia.

Angus also assists clients with general commercial disputes and risk management, including for shareholder disputes, capital raisings, corporate governance, business sales, software projects, and construction.

Angus has been recognised by *Doyles Guide* as a litigation rising star in Australia, *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*® in Australia and *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as a Recommended Lawyer for Dispute Resolution: Litigation in Australia.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recognised by *The Legal 500 Asia Pacific* as a Recommended Lawyer for Dispute Resolution: Litigation in Australia, 2025

"Angus Groves is a star on the rise with a keen legal mind. He is both a trusted ally in the trenches and a worthy adversary." (The Legal 500 Asia Pacific, 2025)

- Listed by *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Australia*™ for Litigation, 2023-2026
- Recognised by *Doyles Guide* as a Rising Star in Litigation, Dispute Resolution & Insolvency in Australia, 2021

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Australian and New Zealand Sports Law Association member
- Law Institute of Victoria member

EDUCATION

- Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, Law Society of South Australia, 2011

- LL.B., University of Adelaide, 2010 *(Hons)*
- B.Com, University of Adelaide, 2009 *(Corp. Fin)*
- Exchange Studies for Law, Uppsala University, 2009

ADMISSIONS

- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of South Australia

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 14 February 2022, What Privilege Rules Govern My International Arbitration?
- November 2021, Arbitration World
- 30 July 2021, International Arbitration in Australia: ACICA Releases 2021 Edition of Arbitration Rules

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Commercial Disputes
- International Arbitration

INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Goods and Services
- Energy
- Financial Services
- Sports
- Technology

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Sport

- Acted for a national sport governing body in a media rights dispute with its free-to-air broadcaster concerning force majeure claims during the COVID-19 pandemic, which included a confidential expert determination following by proceedings in the Federal Court of Australia.
- Acted for a national football league in a dispute with a club regarding the club's league licence terms and stadium development obligations.

- Acted for a national football league in a dispute with a club regarding sponsorship revenue sharing.
- Acted for a national football league club regarding alleged code of conduct breaches.
- Acted for a sport organisation in a confidential expert determination with its players association regarding revenue sharing.
- Acted for a national sport governing body in a dispute with an overseas counterpart regarding international match scheduling.

Energy and Resources

- Acted in a domestic arbitration (UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules 2013) for a royalty holder against an oil producer regarding the calculation of an overriding royalty for an offshore gas project.
- Acted for an oil producer against a royalty holder regarding the deductibility of decommissioning costs from an overriding royalty in respect of an offshore oil and gas project.
- Acted for a senior joint venturer in a mining joint venture dispute in the Federal Court of Australia involving claims of breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, and misleading or deceptive conduct.
- Acted for a contractor against a principal in a facility construction dispute for an offshore gas project.

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- Acted in an international arbitration (ACICA Arbitration Rules 2016) for the operator of a chain of retail stores against a multinational software provider regarding a design and implementation project for an Enterprise Resource Planning system.
- Acted for a government utility in a dispute against an Australian software provider regarding an Enterprise Historian implementation project.
- Acted for a brokerage house in a dispute against a multinational software provider regarding an Enterprise Resource Planning implementation project.

Corporate

- Acted for and against various companies in corporate governance disputes, including in respect of directors' duties, fiduciary duties, shareholders agreements, oppression claims, and restraints of trade.
- Acted for various companies defending against shareholder claims for breach of warranty and misleading or deceptive conduct in respect of capital raising.

General Commercial

- Acted for a purchaser in an earnout adjustment dispute and expert determination under a business sale agreement.
- Acted for a supplier in a dispute involving the termination of a distribution agreement and competing claims of repudiation.

- Acted in a Supreme Court of Victoria matter that involved successfully resisting a Subpoena for Production to the Prothonotary at an objections hearing.
- Acted in a County Court of Victoria proceeding that involved successfully obtaining summary judgment for breach of a settlement deed.