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Edward Cox SC is an experienced trial and appellate advocate specialising in commercial equity, and shipping/transport law; together with property proceedings in the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia. He has appeared in a broad range of disputes from appeals, trials, inquiries and arbitrations. He also accepts appointments as a mediator and arbitrator in commercial disputes.

Edward regularly appears in the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia, the Federal Court of Australia, and Supreme Court of NSW. He has also appeared in the High Court of Australia, Court of Appeal in the Solomon Islands, and High Court in Vanuatu. He has prosecuted and defended environmental and other offences. His diverse experience includes acting as both counsel and arbitrator in commercial and sports arbitrations.

Since 2019 he has regularly appeared in family law disputes where there are complex property arrangements, transnational issues and on appeals. That includes disputes regarding

discretionary trusts, claims against third party assets, cross border disputes, resulting trusts and estoppel claims.

Edward has appeared in shipping and transport disputes for more than 20 years. This included many of the leading maritime cases in Australia, including: Carmichael Rail Network Pty Ltd v BBC Chartering GMBH & Co KG [2024] HCA 4, Poralu Marine Australia Pty Ltd v MV Dijksgrochth [2023] FCAFC 147, The Ship "Sam Hawk" v Reiter Petroleum Inc [2016] FCAFC 26, Shagang Shipping Co Ltd v Ship "Bulk Peace" [2014] FCAFC 48, Korea Shipping Corp v Lord Energy SA [2018] FCAFC 201, Neptune Hospitality Pty Ltd v Ozmen Entertainment [2020] FCAFC 47, Tiger Yacht Management Ltd v Morris [2019] FCAFC 8, Guardian Offshore AU Pty Ltd v Saab Seaeeye Leopard 1702 Remotely Operate Vehicle [2020] FCA 273, Tritton Resources v Ever Rock Navigation SA [2019] FCA 276, Delaware North Marine Experience Pty Ltd v The Ship 'Eye Spy' [2017] FCA 708.

Qualifications

Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Laws (Macquarie) 1999

Master of Laws (Sydney) 2014

Specialisations

- Commercial law and equity
- Family law
- Shipping and Transport law

Professional Recognition

Best Lawyers Australia 2024 Shipping and Transportation Law

Chambers and Partners Asia-Pacific 2018- 2024, Shipping: The Bar 2024, Leading Shipping Law Silks

Doyles Guide 2018 - 2024, Leading Transport Law Senior Counsel, Australia - Preeminent Senior Counsel

Who's Who Legal, National Leader -Shipping - 2021-2023 - Recommended

Selected Cases

Carmichael Rail Network Pty Ltd v BBC Chartering GMBH & Co KG [2024] HCA 4

Eccheli & Eccheli [2024] FedCFamC1F 234

Wei & Xia [2024] FedCFamC1A 65

Poralu Marine Australia Pty Ltd v MV Dijksggracjht [2023] FCAFC147

Akbar & Gandega [2023] FedCFamC1A 174

Colburn & Cleese [2023] FedCFamC1A 147

Vida & Vida [2023] FedCFamC1A 175

Sweeney & Burniss [2023] FedCFamC1F 1032

SCVG & Estate of KLD (No 10) [2023] FedCFamC1F 810, *SCVG & Estate of KLD (No 5)* [2022] FedCFamC1F 818

Tsiang & Wu (No 2) [2023] FedCFamC1F 23

Royal Caribbean Cruises Ltd v Rawlings [2022] NSWCA 4

Dreamtime Supply Company Pty Ltd v Steadfast ICT Security Pty Ltd [2022] ACTCA 57

Selected Cases

Sapphire Group Pty Ltd v Luxotico HK Ltd [2021] NSWSC 589

AAI Limited trading as Vero Insurance v Technology Swiss Pty Ltd [2021] FCAFC 168
Steadfast ICT Security Pty Ltd v Peak [2021] ACTSC 199

Murray & Murray [2020] FamCAFC 293

Neptune Hospitality Pty Ltd v Ozmen Entertainment Pty Ltd [2020] FCAFC 47

Guardian Offshore AU Pty Ltd v Saab Seaeye Leopard 1702 Remotely Operated Vehicle [2020] FCA 273

Swashplate Pty Ltd v Liberty Mutual Insurance Co [2020] 1 Lloyds Law Rep 592 (appeal in [2020] FCAFC 137)

Tritton Resources Pty Ltd v Ever Rock Navigation SA [2019] FCA 276

Tiger Yacht Management Ltd v Morris [2019] FCAFC 8

Success Company Ltd v Attorney General; New Ocean (SI) Ltd v Success Company Ltd Court of Appeal Solomon Islands, CAC28/2019, CAC29/019

Tritton Resources v Ever Rock Navigation SA [2019] FCA 276

Tiger Yacht Management Ltd v Morris [2019] FCAFC 8

Korea Shipping Corporation v Lord Energy SA [2018] FCAFC 201

Semantic Software Asia Pacific Ltd v Ebbsfleet Pty Ltd & Ors [2018] NSWCA 12

Cro Travel Pty Ltd v Australian Capital Finance Management Pty Ltd [2018] NSWCA 153

Delaware North Marine Experience Pty Ltd v The Ship Eye Spy [2017] FCA 1120

Action Workforce Pty Ltd v DHL Supply Chain (Australia) Pty Ltd [2017] NSWCA 321

Sino Dragon Trading Ltd v Noble Resources Pte Ltd [2016] FCA 1131

Toll Holdings Pty Ltd v Stewart [2016] FCA 256

Elsmore Resources Ltd v Fung [2016] NSWSC 856

Reiter Petroleum v The Ship Sam Hawk [2016] FCAFC 26

Shagang Shipping v The Ship Bulk Peace [2014] FCAFC 48

Newcastle Port Corp v The Owners of the Ship Magdalene [2013] NSWLEC 210

Golden Eagle International Trading Pty Ltd v Zhang [2007] HCA 15 (2007) 234 ALR 131

Toll (FGCT) Pty Ltd v Alphapharm Pty Ltd [2004] HCA 52 (2004) 219 CLR 165

Other Professional Activities

- 2024 Advocacy Coach – Advocacy Institute and NSW Bar Practice Course.
- 2023 CPD Presenter – Conflicts of Interest and Trusts in Family Law.
- 2022 Presenter – Conflicts of Interest.
- 2021 Presenter – Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand, NSW Branch Winter Seminar on Marine Insurance.
- 2021 Presenter – Conflicts of Interest CPD.
- 2019 Presenter – Limitations on Contract Termination.
- 2015-2023 NSW Committee of Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand, including regular CPD presentations.
- 2010-2016 Assist and advise Yachting Australia/NSW in various capacities. Regularly sitting on Sports Disciplinary Tribunals convened by Yachting Australia under Racing Rules of Sailing. Served on advisory committee regarding life raft standards for ocean racing.
- 2008-2012, 2015-2019 Professional Conduct Committee, NSW Bar Associations.
- 2001-2003 Part time lecturer at Macquarie University in Litigation and Procedure, Evidence and Private International Law.

Completed the Australian Bar Association advanced trial advocacy course in 2010 and the appellate advocacy course in 2014.

Publications

Personal Property Securities Act 2009 and the Admiralty Act 1988: Implications in matters maritime and reform (2011) 25 A&NZMar LJ 126. Delivered as part of the Federal Court of Australia National Admiralty Seminar.

Preliminary Discovery in Admiralty Proceedings, on 25 February 2009 at the Federal Court of Australia, as part of a joint lecture series arranged by the Universities of Newcastle and Canberra.

Admiralty Jurisdiction, as part of the Oxford Companion to the High Court of Australia, (2001, Oxford University Press), at page 11, edited by Blackshield, Coper and Williams, regarding Admiralty law.

The Substance of 'Of Admiralty and Maritime Jurisdiction' (2000) 15 MLAANZJ 28.