

NEW MEMBERS

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FOLEY'S LIST

I am pleased to welcome our new readers. They reflect the diversity of backgrounds and breadth of legal knowledge of Foley's List.

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John Kelly, Chief Clerk/CEO Foley's List

STEVEN BRNOVIC M Pub & Int Law, LLB (Hons), BA, GDLP

Steven has a longstanding practice in regulatory and administrative law.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Steven was General Counsel to Victoria's commercial passenger vehicle industry regulator. He was a key player in establishing a statutory framework for regulating ride-share providers.

Steven has more than 12 years' experience as a Solicitor in tribunal advocacy, statutory interpretation, regulatory compliance and administrative decision making. Steven has appeared as a Solicitor Advocate at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal in merits reviews of licensing and disciplinary decisions and freedom of information matters.

Steven was a Senior Solicitor at the Victorian Government Solicitor's Office.

He has acted for regulators, Victoria Police, departments, Ministers' offices in merits reviews and national health profession boards in professional misconduct charges. He has advised public boards on statutory compliance, governance, financial management and commercial matters.

Steven is an LIV Accredited Specialist in administrative law. He has been an Executive Officer in the public service and acted as Chief Executive Officer of the Taxi Services Commission.

Steven accepts briefs in public, commercial, transport and planning law.

Steven is reading with Elizabeth Bennett. His senior mentor is Dr Matt Collins QC.



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AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Judicial Review & Administrative Law
- Merits Review
- Disciplinary Proceedings
- Transport Law
- Environment Law & Planning Law
- Commissions & Inquiries

TIM BOURBON BA, LLB(Hons)

Tim accepts briefs in criminal and quasi-criminal matters, including disciplinary tribunal proceedings, regulatory matters and inquests.

Before coming to the Bar, Tim practised as a Solicitor in the Indictable Crime Team at Victoria Legal Aid, where he appeared in a range of summary and indictable matters in the County Court and Magistrates' Court. In addition to his appearance work, he maintained a large case load of complex indictable matters involving homicide, sexual offences, drugs and fraud.

Tim also practised as a Solicitor Advocate at the Office of Public Prosecutions (OPP), regularly appearing in the County Court and the Magistrates' Court in plea

hearings, committal hearings, appeals against sentence, bail applications and summary jurisdiction applications. While at the OPP, Tim also gained experience in preparing indictable matters for hearing in all jurisdictions.

Beyond practising criminal law, Tim has worked as the Manager of Law Reform and Policy at the County Court of Victoria, where he was responsible for preparing the Court's responses to various law reform proposals from government.

Tim accepts briefs for matters in metropolitan and regional courts.

Tim is reading with Michael Stanton and his senior mentor is Daniel Gurvich QC.



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AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Appellate
- Common Law
- Criminal Law
- Environmental Law & Planning Law
- Public/Administrative Law
- Inquests & Inquiries

CHIARA BRYAN LLB(Hons), BSc(Hons)

Chiara accepts briefs to appear in and advise on family law, criminal law, child protection and administrative law matters.

Chiara comes to the Bar having practised for five years as an Associate at Taussig Cherrie Fildes, a first-tier specialist family law firm. Chiara has experience in all aspects of family law, including complex property disputes, parenting matters, mediation, and financial and child support agreements. Chiara is skilled at drafting and accepts briefs to prepare statutory agreements as well as trial and appellate materials.

Prior to joining Taussig Cherrie Fildes, Chiara was the Legal Associate to the Honourable Diana Bryant AO, then Chief Justice of the Family Court of Australia. In this capacity, Chiara worked on Full Court matters in registries across Australia. Chiara previously worked at

the Victorian Government Solicitor's Office, where she gained litigation and administrative law experience.

Chiara graduated from the University of Melbourne with first-class honours in law and science. She was valedictorian of her graduating year. She is presently undertaking her Master of Laws and was awarded the Melbourne Law School Student Published Research Prize in 2016.

Chiara has a longstanding association with the community legal sector and has previously served on the Committee of Management at Darebin Community Legal Centre. Currently, she volunteers at the Women's Legal Service Victoria.

Chiara is reading with Belle Lane and her senior mentor is Martin Bartfeld QC.



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AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Family Law
- Child Support
- Criminal Law
- Intervention Orders
- Child Protection
- Administrative Law

NATALIE KAYE BA, LLB(Hons)

Natalie accepts briefs to appear and advise in criminal, quasi-criminal and common law and personal injury matters.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Natalie practised as a Solicitor at Galbally & O'Bryan Lawyers in the criminal law department, under the guidance of Peter Ward and Paul Galbally.

As a Solicitor, Natalie gained considerable experience preparing cases, appearing in the lower courts and instructing Counsel in trials in the County Court and Supreme Court. Natalie had carriage of a wide range of criminal matters, including complex indictable matters involving homicide, and sexual and drug offences.

Immediately prior to coming to the Bar, Natalie was a Senior Associate at the Supreme Court of Victoria. She was the Senior Associate to Justice Jack Forrest, who was the Principal Judge of the Common Law Division and managed the Confiscation and Proceeds of Crime List. Natalie was also the Senior Associate to Justice Peter Riordan, the Principal Judge of the Commercial Division.

Natalie is reading with Sarah Keating and her senior mentor is Christopher Winneke QC.



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- Confiscation of Assets
- Coronial Inquests
- Disciplinary Tribunals
- Common Law
- Personal Injury

CARLY MARCS LLOYD BA, LLB(Hons), LLM

Carly's practice involves regulatory and criminal law matters. She is particularly interested in commissions of inquiry and quasi-criminal matters including disciplinary and tribunal proceedings.

Carly has worked in the Victorian justice system since 2004. She began her career at Galbally Rolfe appearing as a Solicitor Advocate in a range of criminal matters, both summary and indictable, including contested hearings, pleas and administrative hearings such as committals and bail applications. She has instructed Senior Counsel in complex trials involving allegations of fraud, drug trafficking, rape and murder.

She has also been involved in non-criminal matters, including a representative action lodged with the Australian Human Rights Commission, in partnership with Arnold Bloch Leibler and the Flemington and Kensington Community Legal Centre.

Prior to the Bar, Carly developed significant and diverse experience working in a variety of legal, policy and strategic roles, including:

- Developing the *Criminal Procedure Act 2009* and consequential amendments during her time at the Department of Justice and Regulation.
- Advising a former Premier on law and order issues, government accountability and responding to the 2009 Victorian Bushfires Royal Commission, while working as a member of his private staff.
- Providing strategic and policy advice to the former Chief Judge of the County Court on all aspects of court administration and management.

Carly is reading with Jarrod Williams and her senior mentor is Michael Williams QC.



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- Public/Administrative Law
- Inquests & Inquiries
- Defamation
- Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR)

KESTIN MILDENHALL BA, LLB(Hons)

Kestin accepts briefs to appear and advise in criminal and quasi-criminal matters in metropolitan and regional courts.

Immediately before coming to the Bar, Kestin practised as a Solicitor in the Indictable Crime Team at Victoria Legal Aid. Kestin has experience in a broad range of indictable criminal matters, including sexual offences, drug matters and violent offences. She also has a particular interest in post-sentence applications and reviews under the *Serious Offenders Act 2018*. As a Solicitor Advocate Kestin regularly appeared in summary, indictable and appellate matters in the Magistrates' Court, Children's Court and County Court jurisdictions.

Prior to her position at Victoria Legal Aid, Kestin worked as a Senior Solicitor at the Office of Public Prosecutions. In this role she gained extensive experience and expertise in offences involving sexual offending. This included carriage of matters involving sex offence committals, pleas and trials, particularly historical sex offences and matters involving child complainants, and in the procedural and evidentiary matters unique to sex-offence proceedings.

Kestin commenced her career in private practice at Andrew George Solicitors (now Doogue and George), a criminal defence firm.

Kestin is reading with Simon Moglia and her senior mentor is Sally Flynn QC.



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- Criminal Law
- Inquests, Inquiries, Tribunals & Commissions

MARK STURGES LLB, B.IR

Mark accepts briefs to appear and advise in all criminal and quasi-criminal matters in metropolitan and regional courts.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Mark practised as a Solicitor Advocate for more than seven years in private practice at Matthew White and Associates and Victoria Legal Aid. He also undertook a secondment to the Victorian Aboriginal Legal Service. He appears in the Magistrates' Court, County Court and Children's Court in committals, contested hearings, appeals, pleas of guilty and bail applications.

As a Solicitor, Mark managed a large summary and indictable practice appearing for defendants charged with

homicides, sexual offences, violent offences, dishonesty and drug offences.

Mark was Acting Deputy Managing Lawyer at Victoria Legal Aid in the Sexual Offences Unit and has experience in defending complex historical sexual offence prosecutions and applications for supervision orders under the *Serious Offenders Act 2018*.

Mark has experience in quasi-criminal hearings, having acted for individuals in the Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance and Corruption.

Mark is reading with Marcus Dempsey. His senior mentor is John Kelly SC.



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