

Athol Opas Barrister



Practice summary

Athol principally practices in commercial law, public law, occupational discipline and general civil litigation. He provides practical, outcome-focused advice and representation.

Athol has represented and advised commercial clients, not-for-profit organisations, Commonwealth Government entities and individuals in proceedings including Federal Court, ACT Supreme Court, ACT Magistrates Court, ACAT and coronial inquest proceedings.

Athol was recognised as a leading Commercial Litigation & Dispute Resolution Barrister in the ACT in Doyle's Guide in 2021.

Practice areas

- business disputes, corporations law, contract law, debt matters and general commercial law;
- leasing disputes;
- bankruptcy and insolvency;
- building disputes;
- consumer disputes;
- regulatory matters, government law and administrative law;
- public service code of conduct matters;
- statutory interpretation;
- occupational discipline (e.g. professional misconduct proceedings against lawyers);
- product liability;
- professional negligence;
- general civil litigation; and
- motor accident property damage matters.

Admissions and qualifications

Called to the Bar	2017
Admitted as a legal practitioner	1999
Masters of Laws (Government and Commercial), Australian National University	2005
Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, Australian National University	1999
Bachelor of Laws, Australian National University	1998
Bachelor of Arts, Australian National University	1996

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