



Curriculum Vitae

Bradley J. Dean

Admissions

2019	Barrister
2005	Solicitor

Profile

Bradley has a broad practice, primarily in the areas of public and administrative law, family law and child protection, and wills and estates. Before being called to the Bar, he worked as a solicitor at the Australian Government Solicitor and at the NSW Crown Solicitor's Office.

Bradley also worked as an adviser to the former Commonwealth Attorney-General, the Hon. Robert McClelland MP, and former Minister for Justice, the Hon. Brendan O'Connor MP.

His most recent and current work includes:

- Advising and appearing in judicial review applications in the Supreme Court of NSW and appeals to the NSW Court of Appeal.
- Acting for a range of parties, including the Secretary of the NSW Department of Communities and Justice, in child protection matters in the Children's Court and District Court of NSW.
- Acting for the NSW Public Guardian and Secretary of the NSW Department of Communities and Justice in applications invoking the Supreme Court's *parens patriae* jurisdiction.
- Advising and appearing in relation to adoptions, including intercountry adoptions.
- Acting for parents and children in parenting, property and other family related disputes in the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia.
- Advising and appearing in coronial inquests.
- Advising and appearing in applications pertaining to high risk offenders.
- Advising and appearing in relation to wills and estates, including family provisions claims.
- Advising and acting for various Commonwealth government agencies, including Comcare, the National Disability Insurance Agency, the Australian Skills Quality Authority and the Australian Community Pharmacy Authority, in matters before the Administrative Appeals Tribunal.
- Acting for NSW government agencies in relation to the protection of sensitive information, including appearing in connection with claims of public interest immunity.
- Advising in personal injury matters.
- Advising regulatory bodies with respect to disciplinary and related matters.

Bradley has a Master of Laws from the Australian National University, and a Bachelor of Law (Hons), a Bachelor of Arts and a Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice from Western Sydney University.

Selected cases

Bradley's recent appearances include:

Appellate and judicial review

SY v Public Guardian [2025] NSWCA 148

Shapkin v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2025] NSWCA 71

M v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2024] NSWCA 283

L v Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services [2024] NSWCA 199

DN v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2023] NSWCA 321

Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice v KH [2022] NSWCA 221

Harris (pseudonym) v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2021] NSWCA 261

Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice v KH [2021] NSWCA 308

RH v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2021] NSWCA 101

DN v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2023] NSWSC 595

JH v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2021] NSWSC 1539

Adoption

Discharge of Adoption of Isabel (a pseudonym) [2024] NSWSC 565

Re the adoption of Andrew and Alistair [2023] NSWSC 596

Discharge of Adoption K [2022] NSWSC 1197

Protective jurisdiction

Re Miki (No 2) [2025] NSWSC 369

SY v Public Guardian [2024] NSWSC 1669

Re Cleo [2024] NSWSC 1556

Re Dakota [2024] NSWSC 1333

Re Rosie (No 3) [2023] NSWSC 37

Re Rosie (No 2) [2022] NSWSC 1750

Re Rosie [2022] NSWSC 1001

High risk offenders

State of New South Wales v Darryl Luke Smith (Preliminary) [2025] NSWSC 721

Care and protection and related matters

RC and PK v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2024] NSWDC 196

LM v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2021] NSWDC 34

FMP v Secretary, Department of Communities and Justice [2023] NSWCATAD 128

Family law

Pierce & Pierce [2025] FedCFamC1F 409

Hicks & Gallego [2024] FedCFamC1F 670

Rowlinson & Bradford [2023] FedCFamC2F 1484

Wills and probate

Knox v Peacock [2024] NSWSC 976

Merits review

Nguyen and Australian Postal Corporation [2024] AATA 2982

Radley and Comcare (Compensation) [2022] AATA 3405

Daw and Comcare (Compensation) [2022] AATA 543

Onassys and Comcare (Compensation) [2021] AATA 829

AAMS Pty Ltd and Australian Skills Quality Authority [2021] AATA 335

Miscellaneous

Inquest into the death of Bradley Hope, NSW Coroner's Court, 3 March 2023

Qualia Wine Services Pty Ltd v Pearce [2020] NSWSC 126

Contact

Bradley accepts briefs in all areas of law.

To enquire about his availability, please contact his clerk, Carla Wilson, on 02 9232 7967.