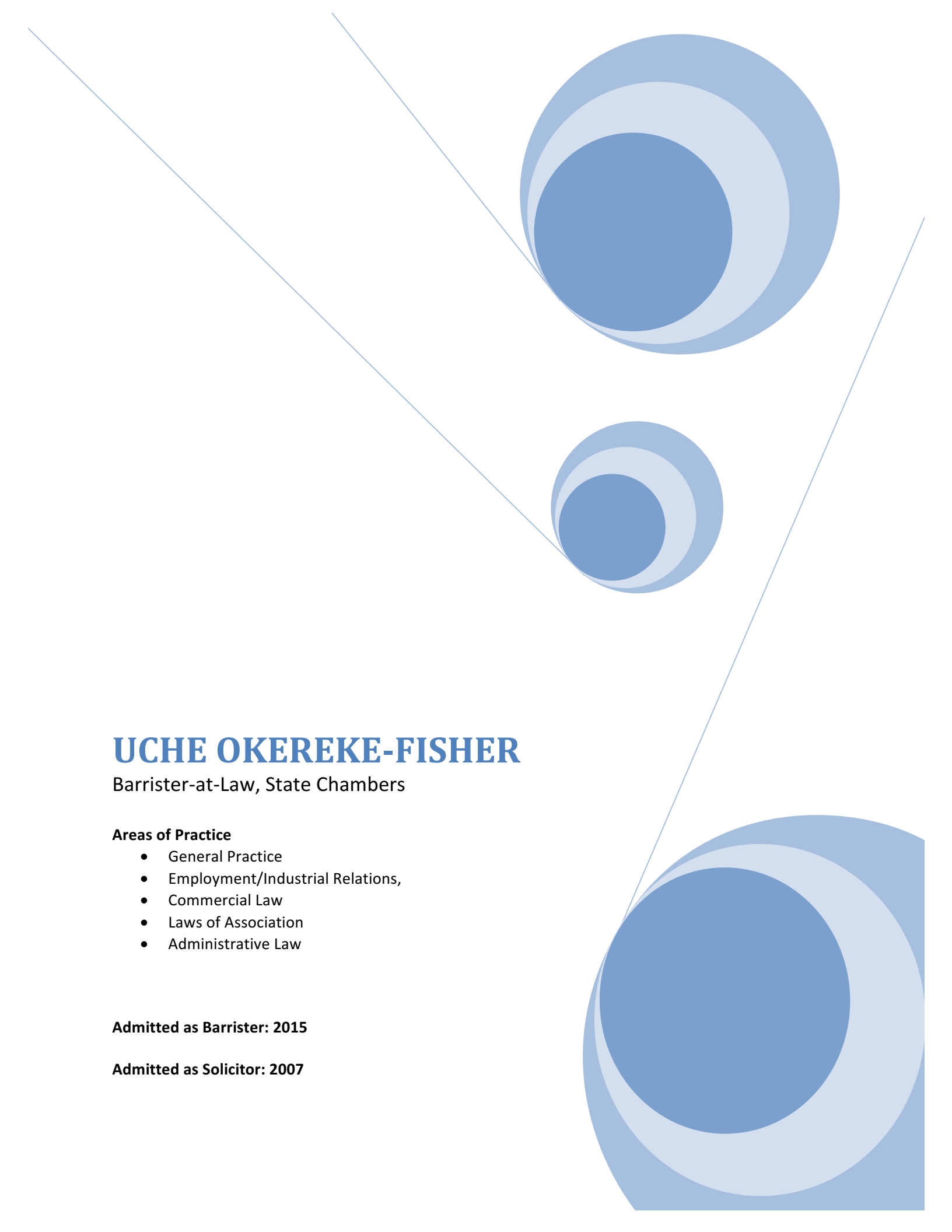




UCHE OKEREKE-FISHER

Barrister-at-Law, State Chambers

Areas of Practice

- General Practice
- Employment/Industrial Relations,
- Commercial Law
- Laws of Association
- Administrative Law

Admitted as Barrister: 2015

Admitted as Solicitor: 2007



DETAILS

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SUMMARY

I was admitted to the NSW Bar in 2015. Prior to commencing practice at the Bar, I was a practicing solicitor and member of the Law Society of New South Wales for nine (9) years.

I have worked as Head of Legal, Senior Legal Counsel, Chief Contracts Negotiator, Legal and Compliance Manager for multiple IT Multi- National Companies. I have extensive commercial experience negotiating and drafting multi-million dollars ICT, Financial services agreements.

I hold an LL. B (University of London) MBA (Ecole Superieure de Gestion, Paris) Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (College of Law, Sydney) and LL.M, Distinction (University of Sydney). I am an alumnus of the Harvard Law School's Program on Negotiation.

Presently, I conduct my bar practice from State Chambers.

EDUCATION/QUALIFICATION

Institution: Harvard Law School

City/Country: Boston, MA- USA

Qualification: Nil (Program on Negotiation)

Completed: April 2013

Institution: University of Sydney

City/Country: Sydney, Australia

Qualification: Master of Law (LLM) (Distinction)

Completed: June 2009

Institution: University of London

City/Country: London, United Kingdom

Qualification: Bachelor of Law, (LL. B)

Completed: November 2002

Institution: Ecole Superieure de Gestion

City/Country: Paris, France

Qualification: Masters of Business Administration (MBA)

Completed: 2000

Institution: Abia State University

Qualification: BA (English Language) Second Class Honors (Upper Division)

Completed: 1998

BAR PRACTICE

I run a general practice. However, my areas of interest include Employment/Industrial Relations, Commercial Law, Administrative and Migration Law, Consumer Protection Laws, Contractual Disputes, Restraint of Trade matters.

I accept briefs on a wide range of matters. Also, I accept direct briefs from corporations and in-house counsels

SELECTED CASES

Selected cases as Barrister with full carriage of matter (unled).

A. Supreme Court

- ***Meng Eang Tahi Vs Vuthea Chet (oth) 2017/00102792.*** Interlocutory Application. Appeared for the Defendant. Proceeding against the Defendant was discontinued with costs.
- ***Cambodian Buddhist Society of NSW Inc v Thai [2017] NSWSC 620.*** Represented 12 defendants in an application for interlocutory injunctions
- ***Cambodian Buddhist Society of NSW and Anor v Meng Eang Thai and Ors [2017] NSWSC 1433.*** Represented 12 Defendants in a matter that revolved around the validity of elections and internal management of the Society pursuant to the Associations Incorporation Act NSW 2009.

B. Fair Work Commission

- ***Cardosa v Australian Automotive Group Pty Ltd/ A City Ford-***
Fair Work Commission U2015/12870. Unfair Dismissal case. Appeared for the Applicant.
- ***Ehsan Haq vs NSW Health Pathology.*** Industrial Relations Court – IRC 964 of 2015. Unfair Dismissal. Appeared for the Applicant
- ***Alexis King v D.C lee & L.J Lyons (2015/12294)*** – Unfair Dismissal case. Appeared for the Applicant. Case decided in favor of Applicant.
- ***De Paiva Souza, Debora v Apple Study Group Pty Ltd T/A Apple Study Group U2016/974.*** Unfair dismissal case. Appeared for the Respondent
- ***Calvey v The Law Society of New South Wales. C2017/963.*** Unfair dismissal case. Represented the Applicant

C. Federal Court of Australia

- ***Nguyen v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection [2016] FCA 1460.*** Appeal from a decision of the Federal Circuit Court of Australia. Appeared for the Appellant

D. Federal Circuit Court of Australia

- ***SZSOS vs Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.*** Judicial review of Tribunal decision – Represented the Applicant. Minister conceded the matter.

- **BLD 15 vs Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.** Judicial review of Tribunal decision. Appeared for the Applicant.
- **AGF15 vs Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.** Judicial review of Tribunal decision. Appeared for the Applicant.
- **Taleb Ibrahim v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.** The applicant was appealing a decision by the delegate of the Minister not to grant citizenship to Applicant. Appeared for the Applicant. Matter was remitted to the Minister for set aside/reconsideration under s 42D of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal 1975.
- **Nguyen v Minister for Immigration & Anor [2016] FCCA 2731.** Judicial review of Tribunal decision. Appeared for the Applicant.
- **Wendy Ann Madden v Manly Warringah Cabs (Trading) Co-operative Society Ltd SYG62/2017.** Fair work Division - Wrongful dismissal. Represented the Applicant
- **Peter Carr v Empirical Works Pty Ltd & Anor SYG549/2016.** Interlocutory Application on an employment matter. Appeared for the Applicant
- **Chentankumar Morarilal Sharma & Ors v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection & Anor SY32014/2016**
- **Shri Shiva Mandir Ltd v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection & Anor SYG2504/2016.** Judicial review of Tribunal decision. Appeared for both applicants. The two applications were heard together.

E. Family Court of Australia

- **Jenisha Dahal Uprety v Sunil Uprety SYC1712/2014 26/8/2016.** Family Law Proceeding. Property Settlement. Appeared for the Respondent Husband.
- **Jameelah Anne Naven v Christopher Robert John Rolls (P) Syc 6067/2016.** Family Law Proceeding. Child custody. Appeared for the Intervening Grand-parents.

F. Local Court

- **Moosa Zahedi v R.** Possession of prohibited drugs. Matter was dismissed pursuant to section 10(1)(a) of the Crimes(Sentencing) Procedures Act 1999.
- **WILDEN PROPERTIES NO.1 PTY LTD v PHAN & NGUYEN (CASE NO: 2016/00204522).** Purchase of property dispute. Representing the Defendant Purchaser.

G. Children's Court of New South Wales

- ***In the matter of: Tamika Curtis, Jaykayla Curtis, Kayden Curtis-Little (case number 34-25/13 and 29/14).*** Child Protection proceeding. Appeared for the Applicant Mother.

H. District Court

- ***Belinda Scott v Department of Education.*** Defending a Notice of Motion. Appeared for the Defendant. The Notice of Motion was struck out with 75% cost awarded to the Defendant in the Notice of Motion.
- ***The Commissioner of the Australian Federal Police v Dickson & Ors - Proceeds of Crime Examination - Dagmar Maxianova.*** Junior Barrister (led by a Senior Barrister)

PRE-BAR EXPERIENCE

Salesforce.Com Pty Ltd

Start Date: August 2014

End Date: November 2014

Position: Senior Corporate Counsel, ANZ (Contract)

- **Summary:** Senior Legal Manager in charge of complex contracting deals.

Avaya Australia Pty Ltd

Start Date: March 2010

End Date: July 2014

Position: Legal Counsel, ANZ

- **Summary:** Sole legal counsel role reporting to the Asia Pacific General Counsel with a dotted reporting line to the Managing Director, ANZ. Legal member of ANZ management and leadership team. Responsible for all legal and contract matters arising within ANZ.

Lexmark International Australia Pty Ltd

Start Date: October 2008

End Date: December 2009

Position: Legal Counsel, ANZ

- **Summary:** At Lexmark, I was the sole legal and contract resource for Lexmark's ANZ operations.

My role cut across the entire organization and I worked very closely with senior management, sales and services professionals. My stakeholders included sales and services teams, solution architects, channel marketing managers, strategic partner managers and distribution teams. I was responsible for all legal matters (excluding HR matters) and commercial contracts (client and vendor agreements)

Hewlett Packard - Electronic Data Systems (EDS), Global Supply Chain Team, Sydney

Start Date: February 2007

End Date: October 2008

Position: Legal Counsel-Global Supply Chain Services

- **Summary:** I was a member of a legal team comprising of four (4) lawyers dedicated to providing legal support to the regional procurement team (75 FTE , 1 billion dollar annual spend). Provided legal support to various category teams – software, hardware, Network and Telecom, Contract Labour, Business Services and Marketing- in the execution of spend initiatives and negotiation of vendor agreements. The procurement team was responsible for fulfilling EDS's obligations in the multi-million dollar IT services contracts with clients like CBA, ATO, ACS etc

Genworth Financial Mortgage Insurance (GE Mortgage Insurance), Sydney

Start Date: November 2005

End Date: December 2006

Position: Legal & Compliance Manager (Reporting to General Counsel)

- **Summary:** I was primarily responsible for all compliance and regulatory matters. The role reported directly to the General Counsel, ANZ.

Genworth Financial Mortgage Insurance (GE Mortgage Insurance), Sydney, Australia

Start Date: March 2005

End Date: November 2005

Position: CRM Specialist

- **Summary:** My primary responsibility was to define and re-align the Customer Relationship Management (CRM) requirements of the business with the functional design of the CRM tool (salesforce.com CRM). The role was part of the sales team and reported directly to the National Sales Leader.

United Currency Group, 99 Wall Street, New York

Start Date: February 2001

End Date: February 2003



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Position: Currency Trader

Alstom Transport, Saint Ouen, Paris

Start Date: January 2000

End Date: June 2000

Position: Project Management Intern

ARTICLES AND PUBLICATIONS

Bonus Payments & Employer's Absolute Discretion, LinkedIn Website (2015)

Inappropriate Language as Valid Reason for Dismissal, LinkedIn Website (2016)

Bonus payment: Absolute discretion and serious misconduct. Precedent (Sydney, N.S.W.), No. 135, Jul/Aug 2016: 44-47

Enforceability of lease executed in breach of statute: Gnych v Polish Club Limited [2015] HCA 23, NSW Bar Journal (2015)

LANGUAGE

French

INTERESTS

Tennis, Fashion, Films and Travel.