



McFarlane Legal

dispute resolution



Sharan Safe

Curriculum Vitae

- Qualified lawyer with over 20 years' experience in restructuring, corporations and insolvency law (receiverships, liquidations, and voluntary administrations), commercial litigation and mediations throughout Australia.
- Held senior positions in both private practice with Gadens and HWL Ebsworth and within the commercial sector at CBA and ANZ.
- Worked on cases involving major commercial litigation, franchise disputes, actions against receivers and auditors alleging negligence and breaches of the *Corporations Act*, numerous summary judgment applications on behalf of the major Banks.
- **Qualifications**
 - Accredited Mediator under the Australian National Mediator Accreditation System (NMAS)
 - Melbourne University, Melbourne (1985-1989), Bachelor of Laws
- **Languages**
 - Bahasa Indonesia: fluent written and spoken.
- **Employment**
 - June 2021: Mediator - McFarlane Legal Dispute Resolution
 - February 2010 – June 2021: Secondment and then employment as Senior Lawyer – ANZ Melbourne
 - October 2009 – February 2010: Senior Associate - HWL Ebsworth
 - February 2000 – October 2009: Solicitor – Gadens Lawyers
 - December 1989 – December 1999: – State Bank of Victoria and CBA

Sharan joined ANZ's Lending Services Legal team in February 2010 and from 2014 was the dedicated lawyer to the National Agribusiness team in Lending Services. Sharan has been involved in more than 400 mediations across all jurisdictions always with the objective of achieving sustainable and amicable resolutions for all, and:

- was a member of the legal team preparing witnesses in rounds 2 and 4 of the Royal Commission into Misconduct in the Banking, Superannuation and Financial Services Industry in 2018.
- was the author of ANZ's Commitment and Principles when managing its small business farming customers in financial difficulty
- was a member of the working group led by Barnaby Joyce, Minister for Agriculture which culminated in a round table conference in Canberra with other Banks and stakeholders to discuss the implementation for a National Farm Debt Mediation Act in 2014.
- was senior associate at HWL Ebsworth and as a solicitor at Gadens was involved in a wide range of commercial litigation and administrative law proceedings, with a particular focus on litigation for and advice to banks and financial institutions.
- appeared in both the Supreme Court of Victoria and the Federal Court of Australia and had appellate experience, in both the Court of Appeal and the Full Federal Court of Australia.
- represented clients in different forms of alternate dispute resolution, including mediations, compulsory conferences and negotiations.