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In her 15 years of legal practice, Josie has acquired specialist knowledge and expertise in the areas of administrative, environmental, local government and planning law. Other areas in which she has significant expertise include constitutional law, equity, real property, native title and inquests and inquiries.

Josie regularly provides advice and appears in complex environmental and planning matters, including judicial review, civil enforcement and environmental merits review matters for applicants, objectors and the government. Given her extensive experience and in-depth understanding of the case law and administrative law principles that underpin planning and environment litigation, Josie provides high-quality representation when appearing for clients in the Land and Environment Court of New South Wales and Supreme Courts of New South Wales and Western Australia. She also possesses a detailed understanding of native title law.

Prior to being called to the Bar, Josie practised as a senior solicitor at the Environmental Defender's Offices of New South Wales and Western Australia. She also practised as a solicitor in private practice and was tipstaff to the Honourable Justice Lloyd.

With a strong academic background, Josie graduated from the University of Sydney with a Bachelor of Laws (with First Class Honours) and Bachelor of Arts (with First Class Honours). Notably, she was awarded Young Environmental Lawyer of the Year in 2006, which was presented by the Law Council of Australia.

ADMISSIONS TO PRACTICE

- 2013 Admitted to the Bar of New South Wales
- 2009 Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Western Australia
- 2002 Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 2000 Bachelor of Laws (Honours Class 1): University of Sydney
- 1996 Bachelor of Arts (Honours Class 1): University of Sydney

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PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Administrative Law
- Constitutional Law
- Environmental Crime
- Environment, Local Government and Planning
- Equity, Real Property, and Trusts
- Inquests, Disciplinary Hearings and Inquiries
- Native Title

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2013 – present Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers
- 2013 Senior Solicitor, The Environmental Defender's Office, New South Wales
- 2009 – 2013 Principal Solicitor, The Environmental Defender's Office, Western Australia
- 2006 – 2008 Senior Solicitor, The Environmental Defender's Office, New South Wales
- 2004 – 2006 Solicitor, Pike, Pike & Fenwick
- 2003 – 2004 Research Assistant to Craig Leggat, Barrister
- 2002 Solicitor, Deacons Lawyers
- 2001 Tipstaff to the Honourable Justice Lloyd

ACCOLADES

- 2006 Young Environmental Lawyer of the Year award presented by the Law Council Australia

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, New South Wales Bar Association
- Member, Environment and Planning Law Association of New South Wales
- Member, Australian Bird Study Association

PUBLICATIONS

- *New Penalty Regime for Planning Law Breaches*: Law Society Journal, May 2015
- *The Role of Science in Public Policy Development: Biobanking and Biocertification in NSW*: Science under Siege, Banks Lunney & Dickman (Eds): Royal Zoological Society of NSW, Sydney 2012 (with Rachel Walmsley)
- *Biobanking: Certainty for Developers and New Hope for Threatened Species*: Law Society Journal of NSW, September 2008 (with Rachel Walmsley)

SELECT CASES

- *Boronia Park Preservation Group v MSMG Developments Pty Ltd* [2015] NSWLEC 112 - Application for an interim injunction to halt works under an allegedly lapsed consent
- *Friends of Tumblebee Incorporated v ATB Morton Pty Limited (No 2)* [2016] NSWLEC 16 - Judicial review matter regarding significant impacts on the endangered Regent Honeyeater
- *Hunter v the Minister for Planning* [2012] WASC 247 - Judicial review challenge on behalf of a traditional owner relating to the James Price Point proposed gas hub
- *Hunter's Hill v Minister for Local Government* [2016] NSWLEC 124 - Judicial review challenge to proposals to amalgamate several local government areas

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- *Protect our Parks Incorporated v Wollongong City Council* [2016] NSWLEC 99 - Judicial review challenge to a proposed commercial use of Crown land
 - *Waldrip v Lake Macquarie City Council* [2016] NSWLEC 1212 - Class 1 merits review proceedings regarding a proposed sewerage recycling plant