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With over 40 years' combined experience as a barrister and solicitor, Jim brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the resolution of his clients' disputes. While his core areas of practice are insolvency and bankruptcy, Jim has also acquired considerable experience in administrative law, building and construction, commercial and corporations law, equity and real property, succession and family provision matters.

He regularly appears in matters concerning general commercial and contractual disputes in an insolvency-related corporate or individual context, for a wide variety of clients including trustees, liquidators, administrators and debtors. He commonly appears in the Federal Court of Australia, the District Court of New South Wales and the New South Wales Civil and Administrative Tribunal (regarding professional misconduct relating to solicitors). Jim's expansive practice also extends to appearing in appellate jurisdictions, such as the Full Federal Court of Australia and High Court of Australia.

Prior to being called the Bar, Jim practised as a transactional lawyer, thereby bringing considerable experience to his practice as a barrister, particularly when advising and appearing for clients in litigious commercial, equity and insolvency matters. His front and back end legal experience has served to provide him with a deep understanding of how disputes arise and a strong ability identify the myriad of ways in which they can be resolved in the best interests of his clients; whether in court or at alternative dispute resolution forums.

Prior to being called to the Bar, Jim practised as a solicitor in the areas of insolvency and bankruptcy. Over the past 20 years he has delivered several lectures on insolvency and practice and continues to lecture at the University of Technology, Sydney, in Insolvency Law. He is also one of the co-authors of the Butterworths *Bankruptcy Service in Australia*.

ADMISSIONS TO PRACTICE

- 1991 Admitted to the Bar of New South Wales
- 1975 Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 1975 Diploma of Law: Solicitors' Admission Board

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PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Administrative Law
- Commercial Law, Corporations and Trade Practices
- Equity, Real Property and Trusts
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy
- Succession and Family Provision

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1991 – present Barrister, Frederick Jordan Chambers
- 2014 – present Casual Lecturer, Law Course - Insolvency, University of Technology, Sydney
- 1984 – 1991 Solicitor, Johnson & Co.
- 1969 – 1984 Employed as a law clerk and thereafter as a solicitor at T D Johnson & Co, Simons & Baffsky and Hunt & Hunt Lawyers

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, New South Wales Bar Association
- Member, New South Wales Bar Association - Professional Conduct Committee: 2013 – 2015

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Over the past 20 years, Jim has regularly delivered lectures on Insolvency and Practice both within Australia and overseas

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author of the *Bankruptcy Service in Australia*: Butterworths (loose-leaf)