



## Richard Monteleone

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### EXPERTISE

During his 25 years in private and government litigation experience, Richard has accumulated over 12 years' Commonwealth administrative law and litigation experience within the Attorney-General's (2009 to 2017) and the Home Affairs (2018 to 2021) portfolios.

### EXPERIENCE

Richard has specialised in representing Commonwealth respondents in AAT reviews, particularly in its General and Security Divisions.

Richard has expertise in:

- the AAT Act and the AAT's general and security procedures
- statutory interpretation
- handling a broad range of reviews, including family law and child support, visa, passport, citizenship and national security matters
- reviewing, analysing and providing strategic advice on applications
- preparing correspondence to applicants (self-represented), their lawyers and the AAT
- collaboratively engaging with in-house colleagues and client areas
- preparing and seeking pragmatic AAT timetables and confidentiality orders
- searching for, collating and preparing section 37 material
- preparing T-documents, statements of facts, issues and contentions and other submissions
- providing prospects advices
- preparing ministerial submissions
- seeking suppression, confidentiality and non-publication orders

- preparing affidavits
- briefing senior executives
- attending AAT hearings across Australia to instruct counsel
- instructing on appeals in the Federal Court and Full Federal Court.

Richard has extensive experience representing the Commonwealth in Federal and High Court judicial reviews, including discovery, preparing evidence and submissions, and making public interest immunity claims.

Richard has regularly managed teams (including as acting SES) and has prior experience in the private sector as an advocate in courts and tribunals.

### QUALIFICATIONS AND CLEARANCE

Bachelor of Commerce/Law – Australian National University

ACT Practising Certificate

NV2 security clearance

