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Overview

Nick is a partner and the head of Dentons' Corporate group in Australia.

Nick is experienced in mergers and acquisitions and has advised in both public and private contexts. Nick also has particular experience in insolvencies and business reconstructions across a broad range of sectors, including construction, financial institutions, mining and technology. Nick is also experienced in mergers and acquisitions and has advised in both public and private contexts.

Nick assisted the global banking syndicate following the collapse of Arthur Andersen. He also represented Singapore Airlines in the administration of Ansett airlines. Nick has advised large Australian banks in relation to many complex workouts.

Nick has been in legal practice for over 30 years but he regards his experience of working for a small merchant bank during the global financial crisis as being among the most valuable in his career.

Experience

- **Large Australian Bank:** Representing this bank and, later in relation to Asia-pacific issues, the global banking syndicate led by a global NY Bank following the collapse of Arthur Andersen
- **KordaMentha:** Acting for KordaMentha as receivers and managers of Lincraft retail chain in the successful restructure of that group.
- **Macquarie Premium Funding:** Acting for MPF (joint venture between Macquarie Bank Ltd and Steadfast Group Ltd) in the acquisition of Pacific Premium Funding from GE Capital in 2013.
- **Placer Property Ltd:** Establishing corporate and financial infrastructure for real property investment manager
- **Confidential client:** Representing founding family member in superior court litigation arising out of a family business dispute involving assets in excess of A\$750m.
- **Fusion Retail Brands Pty Ltd:** Acting as sole director during the financial restructuring of this retail business owning some of Australia's iconic fashion and footwear brands.

- **Australian Geographic Retail Pty Ltd:** Acting as sole director and legal adviser in relation to the sale of this chain of Australian Geographic retail stores.

Activities and Affiliations

Memberships

- Chairman, M.A. & V.L. Perry Foundation
- Director (and former Chairman), Monash Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
- Director, Bowness Family Foundation
- Director, Firbank Grammar School
- Director, Firbank Grammar School Foundation
- Member, Melbourne Cricket Club
- Member, St. Kilda Football Club
- Member, Peninsula Kingswood Golf & Country Club
- Member, National Golf Club

Areas of focus

Practices

- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Corporate Governance
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Commercial Litigation
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Restructuring, Insolvency and Bankruptcy
- Venture Technology and Emerging Growth Companies

Region

- Australasia
- Melbourne

Education

- University of Melbourne, 1983, Bachelor of Commerce
- University of Melbourne, 1983, Bachelor of Laws

Admissions and qualifications

- Barrister & Solicitor, High Court of Australia, 1984
- Barrister & Solicitor, Supreme Court of Victoria, 1984