

DAISY WILLIAMS

Education

University of Auckland: LL.B (Hons), BCom

Professional

2005 - Barrister sole
2003-2005 Solicitor, Litigation Department – Bell Gully
2001-2003 Judge’s Clerk to the Right Honourable Sir Thomas Gault, K.N.Z.M.

General Background

Daisy Williams holds a LL.B (Hons) and a BCom from the University of Auckland. She was admitted to the New Zealand Bar in May 2001 and joined the independent bar in October 2005.

Daisy has been involved in a wide variety of commercial disputes since starting practice in the litigation department of Bell Gully. In addition, since joining the independent bar, Daisy has developed particular expertise in all areas of intellectual property law. She has advised in a wide range of intellectual property matters, including copyright, trade marks, patents, registered designs, breach of confidence issues, Fair Trading Act and passing off matters and has appeared as counsel in the Court of Appeal, the High Court and before the Commissioner of Trade Marks. She recently assisted in a high profile matter before the Copyright Tribunal.

Daisy has also been appointed by the New Zealand Courts as independent counsel to supervise the execution of search orders (formerly known as Anton Piller orders) in both employment and company matters.

Practice areas

- General commercial litigation, including contract and tort claims
- Emergency relief, including applications for interim injunction and search orders
- Supervision of search orders (formerly known as Anton Piller orders) by appointment from the High Court
- Intellectual property including copyright, trade marks, patents, registered designs, breach of confidence, fair trading and passing off
- Trade mark and branding advice, including trade mark selection, trade mark searches, trade mark registration and protection of local and international marks, trade mark oppositions, trade mark infringement and related enforcement and anti-counterfeiting activities.
- Domain name registration and protection
- Advertising Standards complaints
- Pre-publication vetting
- Prize competition compliance advice
- Creditors’ remedies, including debt recovery and enforcement advice
- Administrative law

- Judicial review
- Conflict of Laws advice

Publications

“International Litigation Issues – a New Zealand perspective” (co-authored with Ian Gault), IBA International Litigation News, *March 2005*

Prizes and Other Distinctions

- Auckland District Law Society’s Prize for the student with the best overall undergraduate record in law (2000)
- New Zealand Law review Prize for the top student in the first three years of law school (1999)
- Senior Prize in Law (2000)
- Land Law Prize (1999)
- Chapman Tripp Research Scholarship (2000)
- Editor in Chief, Auckland University Law Review (2000)
- Headnote writer – IPLR (2005-2007)

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