

Judicial Registrar Kimberly Buttriss

Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia

Judicial Registrar Kimberly Buttriss has over 13 years' industry experience practising exclusively in Family Law in private practice and possesses a wealth of knowledge and experience in the family law sector. She is an Accredited Specialist in Family Law

She commenced her legal career in 2007 at the Campbelltown office of Marsdens Law Group, working as a Law Clerk for a family law partner whilst completing her law degree at Western Sydney University. JR Kimberly was admitted to practise law in 2009 when she was moved to the Liverpool office and given a large file load of litigated Legal Aid matters and mediations. Her early years of practice consisted of complex and highly litigious parenting matters. She had an extremely busy practice which required her to deal with a number of matters in court on any given day that taught her to work efficiently, use good processes and manage her time effectively.

By 2013 she was made Associate solicitor which changed the nature of her practice from predominantly Legal Aid funded matters to private clients with 'house and garden' property matters. In 2016, she ceased acting for Legal Aid funded client's and operated a private client file load (largely only property matters). She was also given the opportunity to manage the Family Law Team at Liverpool which included overseeing solicitors, a law clerk and administration assistants.

In 2017 she obtained her Specialist Accreditation in Family Law and was made Senior Associate whilst continuing to manage the Family Law Team at the Liverpool Office. Her practice developed into one that consisted of more complex property matters involving high net worth clients with varied asset structures. She continued to have a small private parenting practice that was mostly litigated matters involving difficult issues such as interstate relocation and issues of violence and abuse. JR Kimberly enjoyed advocacy and personally represented clients in court.

In 2019 she was invited to teach the subject Family Law and is now the Unit Coordinator and lecturer for Advanced Family at Western Sydney University. Through this she has developed the skill of being able communicate the law in a simplified and practical format so that her students are able to digest complex information and principles within limited class time. Lecturing has required her to have an excellent technical knowledge of the *Family Law Act* and case law, and in particular, latest developments in the law.



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