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AREAS OF PRACTICE

Criminal Law
Regulatory Prosecutions
Disciplinary Proceedings
Appellate

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Laws, University of Queensland, 2005

CAREER HISTORY

Ruth was appointed silk in 2021. She practises primarily in criminal law. She appears in trials, pre-trial applications and sentences in the Supreme, District and Magistrates Courts, and appeals in the Court of Appeal. In addition to criminal prosecution and defence briefs, Ruth's practice includes regulatory prosecutions and professional disciplinary matters.

In 2020 – 2021, Ruth was one of the Counsel Assisting the Queensland Coal Mining Board of Inquiry.

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Ruth is a member of the Bar Council of the Queensland Bar Association. She is also a member of the Queensland Bar Association's Criminal Law Committee. She was a part-time member of the Queensland Law Reform Commission from 2017 – 2020.

SIGNIFICANT CASES

R v Dumble & Ors [2021] QCA 161

Comptroller-General of Customs v Inchcape Shipping Services Pty Limited [2021] QCA 61

R v Geddes [2020] QCA 94

R v Enright [2020] QCA 6

R v O'Sullivan; Ex Parte Attorney-General (Qld); R v Lee; Ex Parte Attorney-General (Qld) [2019] QCA 300

R v Lang [2019] QCA 289

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

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| 5 October 2021 | Presenter, Queensland Bar Association, " <i>Career and family as a criminal lawyer</i> ". |
| 7 September 2021 | Presenter, Bar Practice Course, " <i>How to prepare for indictable criminal trials</i> ". |
| 20 August 2021 | Presenter, Queensland Law Society criminal law conference, " <i>Managing jury trials</i> ". |
| 28 June 2021 | Presenter, Queensland Bar Association CPD seminar, " <i>Criminal sentencing advocacy</i> ". |
| 13 March 2021 | Presenter, Queensland Bar Association annual conference, " <i>Expert evidence in practice</i> ". |

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