

# RUTH O'GORMAN KC

Year of call - 2009  
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## AREAS OF PRACTICE

Criminal Law  
Regulatory Prosecutions  
Disciplinary Proceedings  
Appellate  
Commissions of Inquiry  
Inquests

## EDUCATION

Bachelor of Laws, University of Queensland, 2005

## CAREER HISTORY

Ruth was appointed silk in 2021. She practices in criminal law at trial and appellate level and appears in regulatory matters including professional disciplinary proceedings.

Ruth appears in inquiries and inquests. In 2020 – 2021, Ruth was one of the Counsel Assisting the Queensland Coal Mining Board of Inquiry. In 2022, she was the senior Counsel Assisting the Independent Commission of Inquiry into Queensland Police Service responses to domestic and family violence.

Ruth is a member of the Bar Council of the Queensland Bar Association and is the current chair of the Association's Criminal Law Committee. She is also a member of the Association's Bar Practice Course Management Committee.

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## RECENT REPORTED CASES

*R v Predragovic* [2023] QCA 123

*R v YTZ; Ex Parte Attorney-General (Qld); R v YTZ* [2023] QCA 87

*Carne v Crime and Corruption Commission* [2022] QCA 141

*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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|------------------|--|
| 17 March 2023    | Chair, Legalwise, <i>Criminal Law Symposium 2023</i>   |
| 4 March 2023     | Presenter, Queensland Bar Association, " <i>Sex, Crime and the #MeToo Movement</i> "             |
| 26 May 2022      | Presenter, Queensland Bar Association, " <i>Advocacy workshop – Criminal Sentencing</i> "        |
| 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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