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Sally appears in all courts and tribunals and accepts briefs in most areas of civil and commercial law, including:

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Common Law Contract & Tort
- Competition & Consumer Law
- Cybersecurity & Data Protection
- Defamation & Media
- Employment & Industrial
- Environment & Planning
- Equity
- Insolvency & Bankruptcy
- Law of Armed Conflict / International Humanitarian Law
- Privacy & Freedom of Information
- Private International Law
- Public & Administrative
- Taxation

Sally has recently acted for:

- A medium-sized South Australian business in a dispute with a former director as to the validity and enforceability of contractual terms in a series of agreements, including injunctive and declaratory relief in proceedings for breach of contract, misleading or deceptive conduct, and breach of statutory duties under the *Corporations Act*.
- A mineral and gas exploration company in an appeal brought by a major debtor against bankruptcy enforcement proceedings.
- A franchisee in proceedings for breach of contract against a large national franchise, including injunctive relief.
- An applicant for the granting of a construction license pursuant to the *Mutual Recognition Act*, in proceedings against a statutory authority.
- A government agency in an unfair preference claim.
- The administrators of a medium-sized South Australian company, in proceedings brought by a major listed creditor to set aside a deed of company arrangement (as junior counsel).
- The proprietor of a pastoral enterprise in the Northern Territory, in proceedings for breach of contract, misleading or deceptive conduct, and breach of statutory duties against a former Chief Executive Officer (as junior counsel).
- A hospitality entrepreneur, in proceedings brought by a major creditor to enforce the terms of a loan agreement (as junior counsel).

Before joining the Bar, Sally worked in private practice at a specialist international litigation firm. During her time as a disputes lawyer, Sally primarily worked on complex, high-value matters arising in a commercial or corporate insolvency context, in both domestic and offshore jurisdictions. These disputes typically involved issues such as breach of contract, professional negligence, wrongful trading, breach of statutory and/or fiduciary duty, misleading or deceptive conduct, and fraud.

By way of example, in 2016 Sally spent six months in the Royal Court of Guernsey in an action brought on behalf of English liquidators against the American directors of a Guernsey-incorporated investment fund that collapsed during the Global Financial Crisis. Sally also acted for the State of South Australia in a Public-Private Partnership dispute in relation to the construction of a major piece of public health infrastructure.

Prior to her legal career Sally worked as an Intelligence Officer, including various deployments to offshore theatres of operation. Most recently, Sally deployed to Afghanistan with Australia's Special Forces, where she was responsible for planning and executing targeting operations against the Taliban. In this regard, Sally is well versed in the practical application and effect of the Law of Armed Conflict (International Humanitarian Law) in the course of conflict involving non-State actors.

During her earlier career Sally was also deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan in various specialist intelligence roles, and also as part of the multi-national task force searching for the missing Malaysian Airlines flight MH 370. Sally also served as the Honorary Aide-de-Camp to His Excellency the Governor of South Australia and as a Japanese-English interpreter at the Ministerial level.

**Admission / Registration:**

Supreme Court of South Australia  
Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory  
Federal Court of Australia  
High Court of Australia  
High Court of New Zealand

**Professional Education — Legal:**

Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice (with Distinction), Australian National University  
Bachelor of Laws (Honours), University of Adelaide  
Prime Minister's Australia-Asia Endeavour Award (Undergraduate), Government of Australia

**Professional Memberships:**

South Australian Bar Association  
Law Society of South Australia  
Women Lawyers' Association of South Australia  
Foreign Women Lawyers' Association, Japan

**Select Professional Education / Qualifications — Other:**

Governor's Leadership Foundation Program, Leaders' Institute of South Australia  
Level N1, Japanese Language Proficiency Test, Government of Japan  
Advanced Intelligence Officer Course, Defence Intelligence Training Centre  
General Service Officer Course, Royal Military College—Duntroon  
Bachelor of Arts, University of Melbourne  
Victorian Certificate of Education, Methodist Ladies College

**Professional Appointments:**

Member, South Australian Veterans' Advisory Council (current)  
Director, Leaders' Institute of South Australia (current)

**Languages:**

English (native)  
Japanese (professional working proficiency)