

Before joining Fourth Floor Chambers Konrad was, between 1989 and 2021, a partner in the Disputes Group of Herbert Smith Freehills.

He is also admitted to legal practice in England and Wales as a solicitor advocate. Between 1998 and 2000 he worked for Lovell White Durrant in their international and cross border insolvency group.

Professional Experience

Konrad specialises in major commercial disputes and dispute resolution involving corporate governance, directors' duties, banking and financial instruments, breaches of contract, professional negligence, corporate insolvency and reconstruction and industrial and employee disputes.

Konrad is an experienced trial and appellate advocate. He has appeared as lead counsel in cases in the High Court, Federal Court, Supreme Court, District Court and the SAT. Those cases have involved contractual disputes, professional negligence, issues and disputes concerning liquidations, receiverships and administrations, breach of director's duties, share buy backs, land valuation, planning, employment and industrial relations disputes. He has also been lead counsel in international arbitration and expert determination matters.

Konrad is regularly ranked in Australian Legal Guides including Best Lawyers, Doyle's and Chambers. In 2016, Best Lawyers named Konrad as the 2017 Insolvency and Reorganisation Law "Lawyer of the Year" for Perth and as the 2021 "Lawyer of the Year" in Alternative Dispute Resolution for Perth.

Clients have described Konrad in the following terms:

"Decent, honest and straight. Team player. He has the "smarts".

"Can always be relied on to make a very significant, well balanced and thoughtful input to a debate. Capable of being appropriately forceful when necessary. Brings a sense of fun to the room."

"Legally very competent, but unusually commercial and practical – especially for a litigation lawyer. Solutions focused."

"Challenging the status quo. Using his "power" and taking opportunities to be involved in what changes the world.... a real influencer."

"Analysing complex arguments and bringing clarity to the debate. Can easily lead and guide a group to a decision. He is very good with people and has a good way with humour."

Other Experience

Executive Member, Law Council of Australia – 2015 -2018

President, Law Society of Western Australia - 2014

Executive Member, Council of the Law Society of Western Australia - 2011-2013

Councillor, Methodist Ladies College Council - 2004 - 2009

Member, Western Australian Government's Literacy and Numeracy Review Taskforce - 2007