

**GEORGIA McMASTER**

<b>Qualifications</b>	LLB
<b>Admission</b>	1 July 1997
<b>Signed Bar Roll</b>	May 2005 / 26 Sept 2019
<b>Jurisdiction</b>	Northern Territory / Victoria
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**Areas of Practice**

Criminal / Public / Motor Traffic / Proceeds of Crime / VOCAT / Occupational Regulation / Children's Court / Intervention Orders / Civil / Fairwork Industrial Relations / Administrative / Government / Wills and Estates / Media / Sports / Health / Human Rights and Discrimination / Professional Negligence / Workplace Safety / Residential Tenancies / Title / Discrimination / Coronial / Migration

**General Profile**

A barrister specialising in criminal jury trials and appeals for almost twenty years, (primarily briefed by the Crown). Other briefs include conducting matters on behalf of AHPRA, duty lawyer work before the Mental Health Review Tribunal, counsel assisting / legal member in various matters such as Teacher's Registration Board investigations, legal practitioner complaint boards, and chairing the Community Visitors Panel for the Alcohol Mandatory Treatment scheme.

Strong and respected relationships within the community in various paid and voluntary roles, including teaching at the Police College (NT), the Charles Darwin University, and other organisations when requested.

**Key competencies and achievements****Independence**

- Conducted many jury trials as Counsel on behalf of the Crown since 2001; provided opinions / recommendations (as required) to the Director of Public Prosecutions in relation to charges to be pursued or discontinued based on available evidence and law.

**Significant trials**

- Prosecuted multi-complainant sexual assault trials involving tendency and coincidence evidence, trials involving children as complainants, multi-offender trials for serious assaults, and police officers for various matters including possession of child abuse material, child sexual assault and attempting to pervert the course of justice.

**Leadership**

- Briefed to instruct and/or lead many junior prosecutors in their first jury trial; lectured at the Police College in courses from detectives to superintendents on current law.

**Previous Occupation****BARRISTER – 2005-2020**

Northern Territory Bar (2005 – 2020)  
Victorian Bar (2019 – 2020)

**LECTURER – 2012-2015**

Charles Darwin University – School of Law

- criminal law, evidence, advocacy, business law, supervision/marketing of honours and masters candidates

**CONSULTANT – 2011-2012**

NT Police Training College, Criminal Investigation Development Unit

- Developed online training package for the newly introduced uniform evidence legislation; delivered relevant training to all levels of police throughout the Territory

**IN-HOUSE COUNSEL, ODPP NT – 2008;2015 – 2017**

Trial counsel, retained for varying periods during staff shortages

**AD HOC LECTURER – 2004-2019**

Police Training College

- Presenting various law and evidence subjects on detective training courses, recruit training and investigation training courses

**Qualifications/Education****ADMITTED TO PRACTICE – 1997**

- Supreme Court of the Northern Territory
- Entered on High Court Roll
- Member of the Law Society of the Northern Territory

**UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND**

- Bachelor of Laws – 1996

**ST HILDA'S SCHOOL, Queensland**

- Senior Certificate – 1989

**Training and Development****AUSTRALIAN BAR ASSOCIATION**

- Advanced Trial Advocacy Course, Brisbane – 2014

**POLICE COLLEGE, Northern Territory**

- Awarded Certificate IV – Training and Development – 2012

**Memberships and Associations****Professional Involvement**

Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Australian Bar Association – 2018-2019

- Committee member (NT Representative)

Community Visitors Panel, Alcohol Mandatory Treatment scheme – 2014-2017

- Chairperson; responsible for Ministerial report per legislation

Advanced Advocacy Course, Australian Bar Association – Dhaka, Bangladesh – 2011

- Presenter

Community Visitors Panel, Mental Health and Related Services Act (NT) – 2010-2014

- Legal panel member

Equal Opportunity Committee, Law Council of Australia – 2009-2016

- Committee member

Northern Territory Bar Association – 2009-2011

- Vice-president

Australian Women Lawyers – 2006-2009

- President (2008-2009)
- Vice-president; presented paper at inaugural South African Women Lawyers Association, Johannesburg (invited by South African Minister for Justice)
- Secretary
- Board member

Legal Practitioner's Complaints Committee, NT Law Society – 2005-2008

- Legal member

Northern Territory Women Lawyers Association – 2005-2008

- Member

Northern Territory Bar Association – 2005-2020

- Member

Biennial ODPP Conference, Kakadu, NT – 2004

- Presented paper on the Criminal Property Forfeiture Act (NT)

Inaugural Australian Confiscation Forum, Melbourne – 2003

- Represented NT Director of Public Prosecutions

Law Handbook, NT Legal Aid publication – 2003-2013

- Edited chapter "Police Powers" in each new edition

Mock trials, schools, Law Society, CDU – 2000-2019

- Participated in various mock-court competitions for schools, as well as those coordinated by the NT Law Society during Law week; seminars at the Charles Darwin University as well as assisting in the Advocacy course as taught by Rex Wild QC / Supreme Court

Darwin Community Legal Service – 1996-2020

- Volunteer legal advisor

### **Community Involvement**

Noonamah Horse and Pony Club – 2007-2019

- Chairperson (2018-19)
- Vice-chair
- Member

Freds Pass Rural Show Society – 2013-2020

- Pro-bono legal advisor

Northern Cowboy Association – 2013-2020

- Pro-bono legal advisor

Adelaide River Campdraft (NT Campdrafting Assoc. and Adelaide River Show Soc.) – 2005-2019

- Volunteer

Northern Territory Emergency Services – 2001-2003

- Treasurer, volunteer (vertical rescue)