Paige Winfield

Senior Associate



Paige Winfield is an Associate in our Dispute Resolution practice with a focus on general commercial litigation. Paige assists clients to resolve disputes in the High Court, Magistrates Court and through private mediation and arbitration proceedings.

About Paige

Paige joined Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr as a Candidate Attorney in 2020. She was retained as an Associate in the Dispute Resolution practice and admitted as an attorney in 2022.

Paige was promoted to Senior Associate in April 2025.

Credentials

Education

- BCom Law (majors: Accounting and Taxation), University of Pretoria
- LLB, University of Pretoria

Experience

- Assisting in general commercial litigation matters in the High Court, Magistrates Court and through private mediation and arbitration proceedings.
- Drafting pleadings and notices.
- Insurance related opinions and disputes.
- Assisting our Pro Bono and Human Rights Department with litigious matters, with a particular focus on the prosecutions and inquests stemming from the TRC.

News

Fast is fine, but accuracy is everything

As Wyatt Earp said: "Fast is fine, but accuracy is final. You must learn to be slow in a hurry." It is important for litigants to consider and make use of the relevant available legal mechanisms to ensure that legal issues are properly crystallised. Without that exercise, misguided legal strategies are employed.

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Expertise

Dispute Resolution

Consumer Goods, Services & Retail

Insurance Law

Corporate & White Collar Investigations

Technology & Communications

Location

Johannesburg

Language

English



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Can you unscramble the egg? The retrospective effect of forfeiture clauses for partly fraudulent insurance claims

Insurers are the 'masters of their own policies' and, accordingly, they are free to devise their own policies unilaterally. The insured often has no say in the process and derived terms and they simply elect to buy into what the insurer is selling, or not.

Crypto fraud: Judge grants service, through NFTs, on unknown defendants

Cryptocurrency is yet another revolutionary invention in the online world. However, with innovation comes uncertainties, particularly in the legal field. This innovation requires us, like it, to redefine the parameters set in the past in the name of advancement. For litigation this means having to find new boundaries for elements like jurisdiction and service.

Good riddance to 'gag orders'? South African courts move away from prior restraint orders

Freedom of expression in South Africa is guaranteed by the Bill of Rights. This includes, inter alia, freedom of speech, access to information, and, importantly, media freedom. The right to freedom of expression is fundamental and a prerequisite in any democracy. The post-1994 South African media landscape is turbulent and often somewhat adversarial. However, just like any other right enshrined in the Constitution, the right to freedom of expression may be limited where it is justifiable and reasonable. Even the media's freedom may be constrained to protect another constitutional right or to preserve the integrity of the administration of justice.

Law and disorder: Sense check on litigation

Voltaire famously said that "Common sense is not so common" and there are some court stories that support that. Like the infamous McDonald's coffee matter in 1994 where Stella Liebeck, having been burned by a cup of spilled coffee, claimed that McDonald's coffee was defective and more likely to cause serious injury than coffee served at any other establishment. She was awarded \$2,9 million in a jury trial.

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