



Imraan Abdullah

Senior Associate

Imraan Abdullah is a Senior Associate in our Dispute Resolution practice. Imraan operates primarily in the Public Law Sector, focusing on constitutional, administrative and regulatory law. Imraan also has experience in dealing with matters in the Oil and Gas sector, with a particular focus on downstream operations in South Africa.

Practice areas


Dispute Resolution


Sectors

Public Law
Regulatory

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Career

After completing his articles at a small firm, Imraan joined the South African History Archive and was an attorney and researcher in the Freedom of Information Programme. Imraan spent two years at the South African History Archive and simultaneously completed his LLM degree in Constitutional and Human Rights Law.

At the end of his stint at the South African History Archive, Imraan was fortunate to have been offered a clerkship with Justice Johan Froneman at the Constitutional Court, where he served Justice Froneman for a year as an Associate before joining Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr as an Associate in the Dispute Resolution practice.

Imraan was appointed Senior Associate in 2021.

Experience

Public Sector: Administrative, Regulatory Constitutional Law

Procurement

- Advising in relation to the PFMA, the MFMA and the associated regulatory frameworks (including procurement, delegations of authority and supply chain management issues)
- Advising private entities on interactions and relations with government departments and public entities and operating within highly regulated industries (including advice on contractual interpretation)



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- Advising in relation to the PPPFA, the associated regulatory framework and the procurement of goods and services
- Advising financial services clients with advice on public law risks relating to the provision of finance to their clients and the security those clients offer

Administrative and Constitutional Law

- Advising in relation to the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act and litigating on behalf of clients when necessary
- Drafting parliamentary submissions on proposed legislation in respect of various matters
- Applying for, and defending against applications for, access to information under the Promotion of Access to Information Act
- Advising departments, municipalities and public entities on contractual relationships with service providers
- Advising private entities on interactions and relations with government departments and public entities, and on operating within highly regulated industries (including advice on contractual interpretation)
- Providing public and private entities with opinions on regarding a wide variety of legal questions arising out of various regulatory frameworks that the entities operate in
- Advising on the full suite of electoral laws which includes the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commission Act and the Regulations thereto
- Advising and preparing client's on their participation in the Commission of Inquiry into Allegations of State Capture

Oil and Gas (and petrochemical)

- Advising in relation to the Petroleum Products Act and the the associated regulatory frameworks in respect of downstream activities
- Representing clients in section 12B arbitration proceedings
- Representing clients in respect of section 12A appeals to the Minister

General

- Litigating on behalf of clients in respect of commercial disputes before courts and arbitral tribunals

Education

- Registered with the Legal Practice Council
- BA (Law and International Relations), University of Witwatersrand
- LLB, University of Witwatersrand
- LLM, (Constitutional and Human Rights Law), University of Johannesburg



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- Year of admission as an attorney: 2016

Languages

English



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