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Chad Heslop

Special Counsel
Private Advisory – Family &
Relationships



"I am a family lawyer who cares as much about people as I do about the law. I enjoy doing the work that I love by helping real families through hard transitions. I listen first, then build a practical plan to resolve any dispute in the most efficient manner."



Strategic family and
relationship advice
delivered with clarity,
discretion and empathy.

Introduction

Chad has over a decade of experience acting for high-net-worth individuals and families in Australia and across multiple jurisdictions. He understands the commercial drivers behind complex property and financial disputes and how legal outcomes affect clients' broader business and personal interests.

Chad routinely negotiates and litigates high value settlements, advises on asset structuring and enforcement, and manages urgent international children matters.

Expertise

- High value financial proceedings and property settlements
- Complex parenting disputes including high levels of family violence, interstate and international relocations and child abduction matters
- Spousal maintenance, child support departure applications, costs and enforcement applications
- Family violence restraining order trials
- Client relationship management, team leadership and mentoring

Experience

Recent transactions of note include:

- Advised and represented a client to a just and equitable outcome in a property settlement dispute with a multi-billion dollar asset pool
- Securing the return of children who had been wrongfully abducted by a parent to a country outside of Australia including coordinating Hague Convention proceedings, engagement of foreign counsel and the Central Authority
- Successfully securing the return of funds initially removed from the reach of my client to a third party
- Achieving financial parity by obtaining spousal maintenance orders, increased child support payable through departure orders and orders for the payment of my client's legal fees.

Qualifications

- Practising law since 2014
- Bachelor of Laws Murdoch University
- Master of Applied Laws University of Western Australia
- Master of Finance University of Western Australia (completion due 2026)

Memberships

- Family Law Section of the Law Council of Australia
- Law Institute of Victoria
- Victorian Family Law Pathways



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