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Andrew Christie is an experienced intellectual property and information technology law professor, lawyer, arbitrator and mediator. With a Bachelor degree in science, and Bachelor, Master and PhD degrees in law, he has substantial academic knowledge and practical expertise across all areas of IP and IT law – copyrights, designs, domain names, IC layouts, patents, plant breeder’s rights, software, trademarks and trade secrets.

Prof. Christie is admitted to legal practice in Australia and the United Kingdom. A trained arbitrator and mediator, he is an active panel member of leading alternative dispute resolution centres in Hong Kong, London, Geneva, Paris, Shenzhen and Sydney.

Currently the Foundation Chair of Intellectual Property at Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne, Prof. Christie has held academic appointments at the University of Cambridge, Duke University, the National University of Singapore and the University of Toronto. He is the author of more than 100 articles, books and chapters on IP and IT legal issues, including on alternative mechanisms for resolving IP disputes.

Prof. Christie is an active adviser to governments and international organizations, and has been identified by *Managing IP* as one of the world’s 50 most influential people in intellectual property.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL

Education

- **Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)** – Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge (1989-92).
- **Master of Laws (LLM) with distinction** – Queen Mary College, University of London (1987-88).
- **Bachelor of Laws (LLB) with honours**– University of Melbourne (1980-83).
- **Bachelor of Science (BSc)** – University of Melbourne (1979-83).

Qualifications

- **Registered Trade Marks Attorney, Australia and New Zealand** – Registered as a Trade Marks Attorney with the Trans-Tasman IP Attorneys Board (2000).
- **Solicitor, England and Wales** – Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales (1991).
- **Barrister and Solicitor, Australia** – Admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria and of the High Court of Australia (1985).

Academic Appointments – Continuing

- **University of Melbourne, Melbourne Law School** – Foundation Chair of Intellectual Property (2002-cont); Founding Director, Intellectual Property Research Institute of Australia (2002-08); Associate Professor (1998-2002); Senior Lecturer (1993-98).

Academic Appointments – Fixed-Term and Visiting

- **National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law** – Lionel A. Sheridan Visiting Professor (2020); Kwa Geok Choo Distinguished Visitor (2012); Yong Shook Lin Visiting Professor (2011).
- **University of Cambridge** – Derek Brewer Visiting Fellow (Michaelmas Term 2018) and Senior Visitor (Lent and Easter Terms 2019), Emmanuel College, Cambridge.
- **Duke University, School of Law** – Fulbright Senior Scholar (2001).
- **University of Toronto, Faculty of Law** – Distinguished Visiting Professor (2000-2001).
- **University of Cambridge, Emmanuel College** – Herchel Smith Research Fellow in the Law of Intellectual Property (1989-91).

Professional Experience

- **Davies Collison Cave, Melbourne** – Special Counsel (1996-2001, part-time). Consulting on patent and trade mark law to the firm’s the information sciences group.
- **Arthur Robinson & Hedderwicks (now Allens Linklaters), Melbourne** – Senior Associate (1992-93); Solicitor (1985-86); Articled Clerk (1984-85). Practising law across all fields in the firm’s IP group.
- **Rowe & Maw (now Mayer Brown), London** – Consultant (1989-91, part-time); Solicitor (1988). Consulting to, and practising law in, the firm’s IP group, focussing on copyright and licensing.
- **Pappas Carter Evans and Koop (now Boston Consulting Group)** – Research Associate (1986-87). Researching and analysing data on the competitive environment of various industries.

ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION

Training

- **LEADR Mediation Workshop** – 38-hour training program conducted by LEADR-Association of Dispute Resolvers (now Resolution Institute), Melbourne, Australia (2014).
- **WIPO Workshop for Arbitrators** – 15-hour training program conducted by the World Intellectual Property Organization, Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva (2000).
- **WIPO Workshop for Mediators in Intellectual Property Disputes** – 15-hour training program conducted by the the World Intellectual Property Organization, Arbitration and Mediation Center, Geneva (1998).

Qualifications

- **Accredited Mediator** – Accredited as a mediator under the National Mediation Accreditation Standards of the Mediator Standards Board, Australia (2014).

Experience – Arbitration

- **World Intellectual Property Organization, Arbitration and Mediation Centre, Geneva** — Appointed to determine more than 240 domain name disputes, both as a sole panelist and as part of three-member panels (including as presiding panelist), under the UDRP and other dispute resolution policies (since 1999).
- **International Chamber of Commerce, International Centre for ADR, Paris** – Appointed to three-member panels to arbitrate disputes under the ICANN new gTLD Limited Public Interest Objection policy (since 2013).

Experience – Mediation

- **Nursery and Garden Industry Victoria, Melbourne** – Appointed to mediate disputes concerning plant breeder’s rights (since 2016).
- **Office of the Franchising Mediation Adviser** – Appointed to mediate disputes under the Franchising Code of Conduct (since 2017).

PUBLICATIONS

Arbitration and Mediation

- “[WIPO and IP Dispute Resolution](#)” – Chapter 14 in Sam Ricketson (ed), *Research Handbook on World Intellectual Property Organization – The First 50 Years and Beyond* (2020, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, MA, USA).
- “[An Empirical Analysis of 15 Years of Australian Domain Name Disputes](#)” – *Australian Intellectual Property Journal*, Vol. 30, No. 1 (2019)
- “[Online Dispute Resolution – the Phenomenon of the UDRP](#)” – Chapter 16 in Paul Torremans (ed), *Research Handbook on Cross-Border Enforcement of Intellectual Property* (2014, Edward Elgar, Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, MA, USA).
- “[Voluntary Mechanisms for Resolving IP Disputes](#)” – *WIPO/ACE/8/10* (2012), report commissioned by the World Intellectual Property Organization's Advisory Committee on Enforcement).
- “[The Evolution of Precedent in Mandatory Arbitration – Lessons from a Decade of Domain Name Dispute Resolution](#)” – *The Arbitrator and Mediator*, Vol. 30, No. 1 (2011), with Fiona Rotstein.

Other – for a full list of Prof. Christie’s 100+ publications, see andrewchristie.com/publications.