

VICTORIA STEVENSON



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EXTREMELY GOOD AT

- Understanding my clients' needs and finding workable solutions to address those needs
- Skilled relationship developer, strongly aware of the dynamics within a diversity of cultures and backgrounds
- Providing legal and commercial advice without the legal jargon
- Working within a team on major projects as leader or support
- Proactive management and confidence in liaising with governmental authorities
- Focussing on providing current, relevant and quality legal advice in relation to immigration legislation, regulation and policy
- Smoothly running employer sponsored migration matters
- Negotiating with the Department of Immigration and Border Protection to secure Labour Agreements for Australian businesses
- AAT appeals and challenging migration cases involving health, character and visa cancellation issues
- Coaching, mentoring and leading training

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Successful IAAAS applications – finally knowing the approved applicants have the opportunity to start living and stop fearing is the ultimate gift
- Being a part of the team providing strategic advice to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in relation to appropriate visa and migration pathways available to Pacific Islanders seeking to live and work in Northern Australia
- Helping manage the global immigration programme for one of Australia's largest banks

WORK / BUSINESS EXPERIENCE

- Senior Consultant – Global Immigration, People Advisory Services, Ernst & Young, Sydney
- Immigration Solicitor – Katie Malyon & Associates Lawyers, Sydney
- Solicitor – Denese Vale & Associates, Sydney
- Immigration Solicitor – JS Nam and Associates, Melbourne
- Branch Administrator – Institute of Professional Legal Studies for LLB Graduates, NZ

PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS AND MEMBERSHIPS

- Legal Practitioner of the Supreme Courts of Victoria and New South Wales (admitted to practice in June 2008)
- Lifetime member – Golden Key National Honour Society (member since 2000)
- Member – Law Society of NSW, Women Lawyers Association of NSW, Association of Fee Free Migration Agents NSW and Migration Institute of Australia
- Registered Migration Agent (MARN 1170945 – registered since 2011)

PRO BONO / COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Legal assistance with IAAAS visa applications under Australia's refugee programme
- Volunteer Solicitor/ Migration agent for Association of Fee Free Migration Agents NSW, Amnesty International NSW, Amnesty International NZ
- Volunteer CanTeen Australia and RSPCA NZ/Australia

QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor of Laws, University of Waikato, NZ
- Bachelor of Arts (Development Studies), University of Waikato, NZ
- TESOL certified, Teach International Institute. Auckland, NZ
- Certificate IV in Training and Assessment, First Choice Training, Australia