

## WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

### BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Cremorne, NSW  
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Nationality: Australian

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### EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

M.A., (Law), University of London, 1981;  
LL.B., (Law), University of Sydney, 1977;  
B.A., (English Literature and Language), University of Sydney, 1975.

Admitted:

Supreme Court of New South Wales, 1978;  
High Court of Australia, 1978;  
Federal Court of Australia, 1978;  
Supreme Court of the ACT, 1990;  
Supreme Court of Victoria, 1991;  
Supreme Court of Western Australia, 2000.

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### LANGUAGES

English

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**PRESENT POSITION**

Private practice.

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION**

Partner, Banki Haddock Fiora, 2009 – 2020;  
Partner, Clayton Utz, Sydney, since 1991 – 2009;  
Senior Counsel, Asia Pacific Operations, Apple Computer, Inc., Sydney, 1986 – 1990.

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**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Intellectual property: copyright, trade secrets, trade mark and trade practices law.

Computer law, in particular information technology issues.

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**EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Involvement with the computer industry since 1982, in respect of litigation concerning the protection of computer programs by copyright, as well as trade marks protection. Since that time, has practiced continuously in all aspects of intellectual property affecting both suppliers and users of information technologies, both in litigation and dispute resolution, and commercial contract negotiations.

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**EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES**

Has advised many Australian and foreign companies with respect to the registration and transfer of, and dispute resolution concerning, .com and .net domain names. As a member of the Dispute Resolution Working Group of Domains Administration Ltd, (AUDA), is involved with domain name administration and policy in Australia.

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**MAJOR PUBLICATIONS****Books:**

"The Legal Environment of Computing, co-author, Addison-Wesley, 1990;  
"Copyright – the Laws of Australia", Thomson Reuters, 2013.

**Articles:**

"University of Sydney v Objectivision";  
"Copyright in Millions of Unpublished Works, Films and Sound Recordings to be Snuffed Out on 1 January 2019" [2017] CommsLawB 42; (2017) 36(4) Communications Law Bulletin 27;  
"Business as usual: a review of the report Copyright Exceptions for Private Copying of Photographs and Films" (2017) Internet Law Bulletin Vol 11 No 4- with Rebecca Wakeling;  
"Review of Spam Act 2003 announced" (2006) Internet Law Bulletin Vol 8 No 9;  
"Copyright Act 'Digital Agenda' provisions fail to protect PlayStation from counterfeiting" (2005) Internet Law Bulletin Vol 8 No 8;  
"Copyright Amendment (Digital Agenda) Act 2000", Keeping Good Companies Volume 53, No. 2, March 2001;  
"The Electronic Transactions Bill 1999", Computer and Telecommunications Law Review, Vol. 6, Issue 4, June 2000;  
"Australian Copyright Act Amended", The Computer Law Association Bulletin, Vol. 14, No. 1, April 1999;  
"Australia's Response to the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights", The Journal of World Intellectual Property, Vol. 2, No. 2, March 1999;

“Recent Developments in Information Technology Law In the Asia-Pacific Region (Part II)”, The Computer Lawyer, Vol. 14, No. 4, April 1997;  
“Recent Developments in Information Technology Law In the Asia-Pacific Region (Part I)”, The Computer Lawyer, Vol. 14, No. 3, March 1997;  
“Proposed Amendments to the Copyright Act”, Journal of the Copyright Society of Australia, February 1995;  
“Proposed Amendments to Australian Copyright Law”, The International Computer Lawyer, February 1995;  
“Nintendo Decisions Affect Grey Marketing in Australia”, The International Computer Lawyer, September 1994;  
“CCOM v Jiejing: Australian Court Revisits Software Patents”, The International Computer Lawyer, May 1994;  
“Impact of Copyright Laws on the use of New Multimedia Technology”, The International Computer Lawyer, February 1993;  
“Copyrights Computer Software and Competition In Australia”, The Internatinal computer Lawyer, February 1993;  
“Computer Products, Parallel Imports and Copyrights in Australia and New Zealand” and “Computer Contracts: Recent Developments in the Legal Liability of Vendors”, Software Law Journal, Vol. 5, No.1, February 1992;  
Regular Contributor to Computerworld column.

**Professional Affiliations:**

Contributor, Butterworths Laws of Australia, Copyright Section.

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**EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION**

Has advised clients with respect to all levels of court process in Australia, in particular Federal Court and Supreme Court, Intellectual Property and IT contract disputes.

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**EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION**

Has participated in mediations representing clients in respect of dispute resolution processes, and is familiar with all mediation processes.

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**EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION**

Has advised clients in arbitrations regarding IT contract disputes in Australia.

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