

Arnold Bloch Leibler

Lawyers and Advisers



Jonathan Milner, BA LLB (UNSW)

Partner

- commercial litigation and dispute resolution
- corporate regulatory investigations
- corporate recovery and insolvency

Jonathan Milner is a partner in Arnold Bloch Leibler's Sydney office and is a member of the firm's litigation & dispute resolution practice group.

Jonathan graduated from the University of NSW in 1999 and commenced as a solicitor with Freehills in 2000, where he practised in the commercial litigation department. Jonathan was appointed senior associate in 2005, joined Arnold Bloch Leibler in 2006 and was appointed partner in 2009.

Jonathan is admitted to practise as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of NSW and the High Court of Australia.

Practice focus

Jonathan's practice focuses on:

- general commercial litigation and dispute resolution;
- corporate regulatory investigations; and
- corporate recovery and insolvency.

Major assignments

Since joining Arnold Bloch Leibler, Jonathan has acted for a wide variety of clients, including:

- a non-executive director of James Hardie: in relation to civil penalty proceedings in the Supreme Court of NSW, the NSW Court of Appeal and the High Court of Australia;
- a director of Allco Finance Group Limited: in relation to investigations by ASIC and the receivers of Allco Finance Group;
- Sons of Gwalia creditors' committee: in relation to the administration of Sons of Gwalia;
- Newmont Mining Corporation and its Australian subsidiaries: in relation to legal proceedings arising out of the restructure of Newmont's Australian operations;
- Specialty Fashion Group: in relation to a dispute arising out of the sale of its discount variety business and in relation to Court proceedings concerning the fraudulent misappropriation of funds by a senior executive;
- Tricom Equities: in relation to the workout of its margin lending business; and
- DP World Australia: in Supreme Court of NSW proceedings concerning access to port facilities;
- Challenger Group: in Supreme Court of NSW proceedings arising out of Challenger's investment in an Australian equities fund;

- various banks and financial institutions, including Investec, Babcock & Brown and Ashe Morgan Winthrop: in relation to commercial disputes, corporate regulatory investigations and insolvency and restructuring matters; and
- various individuals: in relation to corporate regulatory investigations and proceedings and in relation to insurance and indemnity arrangements.

Jonathan has also acted for a range of other corporate entities including the Australian Rugby Union, Breville Group and various US hedge funds.

While at Freehills Jonathan acted for a number of corporate clients including for the National Australia Bank in relation to the AUSMAQ litigation in the Supreme Court of NSW and the NSW Court of Appeal.

Publications

Jonathan has recently published the following articles in the area of insolvency, including:

- *Casualties of Securities Lending – Sending the Brokers Broke* (by Jonathan Milner and Korda Mentha), published by LexisNexis in *Financial Fallout*, December 2008; and
- *Judicial concern regarding creditors' trust*, published by LexisNexis in *Insolvency Law Bulletin*, April 2009; and
- *Maximising the Chances of Recovery for Distressed Australian Companies – A Change in the Legal Landscape*, Executive View Digital Guide, Corporate Bankruptcy and Restructuring, 2010.

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