



OUR TEAM

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Sarah holds a Bachelor of Laws (First Class Honours) and Bachelor of Arts from the University of Canterbury in Christchurch, New Zealand.

She was admitted as a barrister and solicitor of the New Zealand High Court in 2013, and as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales and the Federal Court and High Court of Australia in 2018.

Prior to joining YPOL, Sarah was employed in a boutique insurance firm acting for insurers in professional indemnity litigation. She also has considerable experience working as a Judge's clerk at the High Court in Christchurch, New Zealand.

Sarah specialises in providing coverage advice and acting as defence counsel for local and international insurers on professional indemnity claims against a wide range of professionals including solicitors, engineers, and architects.

Some examples of the types of professional liability work in which Sarah has been involved are:

- numerous claims for civil, structural and fire engineers in connection with defective buildings, including schools;
- acting for lawyers in professional negligence claims, including in relation to personal injury proceedings;
- acting for geotechnical engineers in relation to negligence claims, including in relation to asbestos; and
- acting for architects in relation to claims involving aspects of defective design;
- defence of medical malpractice claims against laser and beauty clinics.

Sarah is a member of the New South Wales Law Society, the Australian Insurance Law Association, the Australian Professional Indemnity Group and the Association for Women in Insurance.