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Aaron B. Newell, Esq.

LLB, BA (Hons)

UK and Australian qualified solicitor

Canadian qualified barrister and solicitor

Registered Australian Trade Marks Attorney

Recommended: "a truly outstanding specialist in domain name management, strategy, registration and recovery" (Legal 500, 2019)

Employment

February 2019 – present

J.A. Kemp

London, UK

Partner

J.A. Kemp is a top-tier UK-based firm of UK and EU-qualified trade mark attorneys, patent attorneys and IP solicitors. The firm consistently ranks in band 1 in Chambers, the Legal 500 and WTR 1000. I accepted a partnership role in late 2018.

April 2012 – December 2018

Lewis Silkin LLP

London, UK

Legal Director, Trade Marks Solicitor

Lewis Silkin LLP consistently ranks in the WTR 1000 (silver), Chambers (tier 3), Managing IP (tier 3) and Legal 500 (tier 4) directories for trade mark work. Its IP department was nominated for IP Team of the Year in 2014 and 2015 by The Lawyer. Whilst at the firm I handled the full range of contentious and non-contentious trade mark work, as well as assisting with the management of the firm's domain name monitoring and disputes practice. Clients described me as "one of the best in the business" and "a true expert" for my work in domain name disputes.

Dec 2010 – April 2012

Mishcon de Reya

London, UK

Trade Marks Solicitor

Mishcon de Reya is a full-service commercial law firm with offices in London and New York. I worked in the newly-formed trade marks department as a solicitor handling prosecution and contentious matters for a number of high-profile clients including household name sportswear brands, celebrities and luxury brands.

Feb 2010 to Dec 2010

Gill Jennings & Every LLP

London, UK

Overseas-qualified barrister, solicitor, trade marks attorney

I joined GJE in February 2010 as a technical assistant, working towards qualification as a UK solicitor. I assisted the head of the trade marks department with one of the more important UK trade mark cases in the past ten years, *Hasbro Inc v 123 Nahrungsmittel GmbH*.

Sept 2007 – Feb 2010

Actuate IP

Melbourne/London

Associate, Solicitor & Trade Marks Attorney

Actuate IP is a boutique and directory-ranked IP firm based in Melbourne and Sydney, Australia and has multiple times been named Australian boutique IP firm of the year.

Feb 2006 – Feb 2007

IPRIA

Melbourne, AU

IP Researcher

While qualifying as an Australian solicitor I worked as a researcher with the Intellectual Property Research Institute of Australia (based at Melbourne University), contributing to a number of published studies and reports commissioned by private clients of the institute.

July 2004 – Dec 2005

Gillian Butler Q.C. Law Office

St. John's, CAN

Barrister and Solicitor

I articulated and worked as a junior barrister and solicitor for now Justice Gillian Butler of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. I assisted with a range of civil litigation matters, including high-profile personal injury and medical malpractice cases.

Education

2006

Melbourne University

Melbourne, AU

Solicitor (VIC, Aus) Foreign Qualification Studies

- Completed subjects required by Council of Legal Education for admission to practice in Australia.

2003 – 2004

Melbourne University

Melbourne, AU

LLB (Final Year)

- Completed LLB as exchange student from University of New Brunswick.
- Worked closely with professors on special research projects in the areas of conflict of laws, trade marks (dilution policy), defamation.

2001 – 2003

University of New Brunswick

Fredericton, CAN

LLB (Years 1 & 2)

- Post-graduate LLB program with focus on IP, including TRIPS and trade mark dilution.

2000 – 2001

Université Paul-Valéry

Montpellier, FRA

French Language

- Completed Level III at L'Institut pour Etudiants Etrangers, a French language and literature program for foreign students.
- Became functionally bilingual in oral French, building on six years of French immersion studies undertaken in Intermediate and High School.

1996 – 2001

Memorial University of Newfoundland

St John's, CAN

BA (Hons), Literature & Critical Theory

- Completed Bachelor of Arts (Honours), psychology minor.
- Participated in an intensive merits-based historical literature program at the university's UK campus in 1999.
- Received highest possible mark for final Honours thesis paper.