

# RON SALTER

## PROFILE

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### Background & qualifications

Date of birth 20 August 1941  
Education Haileybury College and University of Melbourne  
Qualifications LL.B., FCI Arb

### History

- Graduated LL.B from University of Melbourne in 1963.
- Admitted to practice as a barrister & solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria and the High Court of Australia in 1964.
- Appointed a partner of Phillips, Fox & Masel (now DLA Phillips Fox) in 1968.
- In 37 years as a partner (retired 2005), acted variously as chairman of management committee, chairman of partners, member of national board, and partner responsible for Vietnam offices.
- Practised as a litigation/dispute resolution lawyer, with an emphasis on transport, maritime law, and marine insurance.
- Regularly listed in various independent publications such as the Euromoney Guides to the World's Leading Shipping & Maritime Lawyers, Litigation Lawyers, Insurance & Reinsurance Lawyers, and Experts in Commercial Arbitration, Who's Who Legal, Asia Pacific Legal 500, Legal Profiles, Asialaw Leading Lawyers, Best Lawyers Australia, and Australian Legal Who's Who.
- Described in Who's Who Legal Shipping & Maritime 2008 as follows:

*Ron Salter "stands out", with one source rating him as "number one in Australia". His expertise on maritime arbitration and mediation was noted and he's also strong on insurance matters.*

### **Arbitration career**

- Appointed a grade 2 arbitrator by Institute of Arbitrators Australia in 1992, and a grade 1 arbitrator in 2004.
- Admitted as a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a Chartered Arbitrator in 2005.
- Member of following panels of arbitrators:
  - Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia ([www.iama.org.au](http://www.iama.org.au))
  - Maritime Law Association of Australia & New Zealand ([www.mlaanz.org](http://www.mlaanz.org))
  - Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre ([www.hkiac.org](http://www.hkiac.org))
  - Singapore International Arbitration Centre ([www.siac.org.sg](http://www.siac.org.sg))
  - Singapore Chamber of Maritime Arbitration ([www.scma.org.sg](http://www.scma.org.sg))
  - Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration ([www.rcakl.org.my](http://www.rcakl.org.my))
  - Chartered Institute of Arbitrators ([www.arbitrators.org.au](http://www.arbitrators.org.au))
- Has undertaken arbitrations in Australia, Singapore, and Hong Kong, both as sole arbitrator and as a member of arbitral tribunals in a variety of commercial disputes, including shipping, aviation, insurance, trade, commodities, partnerships, travel, property, and infrastructure projects.

### **Mediation career**

- Member of the International Maritime Conciliation and Mediation Panel ([www.imcampanel.com](http://www.imcampanel.com))
- Member of the Law Institute of Victoria Mediators List ([www.liv.asn.au](http://www.liv.asn.au))
- Has undertaken numerous mediations, principally in Melbourne and Sydney , in a variety of commercial disputes as described above in relation to arbitration, as well as in relation to professional liability disputes.

### **Memberships**

- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- ICC Australia
- Law Institute of Victoria
- Law Council of Australia
- International Bar Association
- Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand (honorary member)

- Comité Maritime International (titulary member).
- London Maritime Arbitrators Association (supporting member)
- Australasian Forum for International Arbitration (member).

#### **Positions presently held**

- Standing Committee of International Maritime Arbitration Organisation (member)
- Chair of the Arbitration Committee of the Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand
- Australian Maritime and Transportation Arbitration Commission (representative)
- Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (director)
- International Trade and Business Committee of International Law Section of Law Council of Australia (member)

#### **Previously held positions**

- President of Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand (1988-91)
- Chair of Victorian branch of Maritime Law association of Australia and New Zealand (1980-82 and 2002-04).
- Vice-president and member of executive council of Comité Maritime International (1991-2000).
- Vice-chair of Maritime & Transport Committee of International Bar Association Section on Business Law (1992-96).
- Chair of Topics and Agenda Committee for International Congress of Maritime Arbitrators 2007 (ICMA XV).
- Chair of Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee of Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand (1992-1995)
- Director and national councillor of the Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia (2009-2010).
- Chair of the Arbitration Committee of the Institute of Arbitrators & Mediators Australia (2009-2010).
- Member of Committee of Australian Chapter of LCIA Asia-Pacific Council (1997-2000).
- Member of the joint committee of the Law Council of Australia and the Maritime Law Association of Australia and New Zealand on the admiralty jurisdiction of Australian courts (1980-82).
- Member of the (Commonwealth) Attorney-General's Admiralty Rules Committee (1989-97).

- Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia (1990-99).
- Member of board of the Melbourne University Law School Foundation (1992-98).
- Chairman of the Melbourne University Law School Foundation Activities Committee (1995-98).
- Member of the Australian advisory board of the Centre for Corporate Law and Securities Regulation (1996-2000).
- Director of Australia Vietnam Business Council (1997-98)
- Member of the Australian Law Reform Commission Advisory Committee on the review of the Marine Insurance Act 1909 (2000).
- Chair of International Arbitration Focus Group of International Law Briefing Committee of Law Institute of Victoria (2004-06).
- Variously represented Phillips Fox on American Chamber of Commerce in Australia, Australian-British Chamber of Commerce, Australia Indonesia Business Council, and Australia Vietnam Business Council.