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Aoife has a diverse range of experience in representing and advising large public and private companies in complex commercial disputes.

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BACKGROUND

Aoife holds a Bachelor of Law (International) (First Class Honours) from the University of Melbourne and University College Dublin, a Masters of Criminal Justice from the University of Western Australia (Distinction) and a Diploma in Commercial Litigation (Distinction) from the Law Society of Ireland. Aoife is also admitted to, and has practised, in Ireland. Aoife is a member of the National Product Liability Association.

EXPERIENCE

Aoife's practice covers a range of industries and areas with a particular focus on consumer products, regulatory investigations, class actions and contractual and property-related disputes. Aoife also regularly advises on pro bono matters.

SUMMARY OF LITIGIOUS EXPERIENCE

Current experience

- acting for a car manufacturer in the defence of class action proceedings regarding Takata airbags
- acting for a publicly listed Australian company in a class action regarding warranties on consumer products
- advising clients on contractual, property and retail leasing disputes of varying size

Past experience

- acted for a publicly listed Australian company in a regulatory investigation regarding the financing of consumer products
- acted for Diageo in relation to class action litigation in the Supreme Court of Victoria, Australia regarding the drug thalidomide
- acted for Tabcorp in Federal Court proceedings commenced by AUSTRAC in relation to alleged breaches of AML/CTF laws
- acted for ANZ in the Oswal litigation
- acted for the Melbourne Market Authority and the State of Victoria in relation to the defence of a class action by lease holders of the Melbourne Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market
- acted for the successful consortium for Phase 1 of the East West Link PPP in Victoria in relation to the enforceability of a Project Agreement
- acted for a publicly listed Australian company in a multi-jurisdictional investigation into potential violations of anti-corruption laws involving regulators and enforcement agencies in Australia (the Australian Federal Police) and the US (the SEC and DOJ)
- acted for a number of publicly listed Australian companies in relation to the defence of various shareholder class actions in the Federal Court of Australia

SUMMARY OF NON-LITIGIOUS EXPERIENCE

- advising clients on product liability issues, including consumer guarantees, warranties, disclaimers and product recalls
- advising clients on contractual issues, including distribution arrangements, warranties and indemnities
- advised clients on the development of various compliance policies and programs