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Education

Bachelor of Laws, QUT, 1987 Bachelor of Business, QUT, 1991

Memberships of Professional Organisations Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand

Current professional activities

After working with the Corporate Regulator, Lauren has re-joined the Insolvency industry bringing with her a deep understanding of corporate governance, forensic accounting, investigations, compulsory examinations and litigation management.

Industry experience

Banking and finance, executive recruitment, professional and retail services, manufacturing, agribusiness, advertising.

Professional Background

1988- 2004 KPMG

Lauren was a senior manager at KPMG and predecessor firms where she undertook corporate and personal insolvency and reconstruction work. Lauren was involved in larger corporate collapses including, Equiticorp, through which she developed extensive experience in corporate restructure.

From 1998, Lauren had senior responsibility for the growth and management of KPMG's members' voluntary liquidation practice. This role involved conducting pre-liquidation reviews, developing and implementing strategic, operational and financial recommendations to rationalise the corporate structure of large blue-chip clients.

2005-2011Peter Ryan & Associates

Lauren was Head of Research of an executive search and selection recruitment company. Peter Ryan & Associates specialises in the sourcing and placement of executive level specialists and partners in the banking and finance industry and specifically in the risk and compliance domain. Through this role, Lauren developed a thorough understanding of the corporate governance requirements of the finance industry. This role also gave Lauren the opportunity to develop an extensive network in the industry and she is well regarded for her discretion on the sensitive matters of career moves.

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Australian Securities and Investments Commission

Lauren was an executive level investigator in the Corporations and Corporate Governance team at the Australian Securities and Investments Commission. This role exposed Lauren to investigations into a variety of criminal and civil offences relating to breaches of director's duties and specifically to illegal phoenix activity.

During her time at ASIC, Lauren managed and conducted many investigations utilising the compulsory information gathering powers available to the regulator. The conduct of numerous examinations of persons of interest and witnesses has honed Lauren's investigative and evidence identification skills.

Expertise

Scope of insolvency Lauren has provided support and assistance to the appointee in every type of formal corporate

insolvency administration.

Forensic accounting Lauren has undertaken numerous forensic accounting and funds tracing analysis of companies

and individuals. Lauren has provided expert witness statements in high-profile matters before

the courts.

Investigations Lauren has investigated the affairs of a wide range of entities including listed and unlisted

companies. She has also investigated the conduct of company officers and directors and

liquidators.

Restructure Lauren has been involved in advising corporations in restructure solutions including

management buy outs and members' voluntary liquidations and has worked on matters

involving company and asset sales for listed and unlisted companies.

Examinations Lauren has conducted numerous examinations under s.19 ASIC Act and is well placed to

prepare and brief lawyers and counsel with public examinations