

# Patrick Smith

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**Previously a chemical engineer, Patrick applies economics, econometrics and industrial expertise to competition policy, litigation and arbitration. He has testified and consulted to parties, agencies and interveners in high-profile, complex and multi-jurisdictional proceedings over the past 15 years.**

Patrick has acted as an expert witness in investigations of mergers, horizontal and vertical agreements, and abuse of dominance inquiries, as well as damages estimation within litigation (including class actions), mediation, dispute resolution, and international arbitration.

He additionally has extensive experience in advising clients through in-depth merger investigations before the European Commission as well as authorities in South Africa, Germany, Spain and the UK, and has worked on several transactions involving the coordination of economic advice and analysis across multiple jurisdictions globally.

His merger experience includes leading roles in Ocean Network Express JV, Dow/DuPont, AB InBev/SABMiller, PRS/GEMA/STIM, Syniverse/MACH, Universal/EMI, Kenilworth Racing/Gold Circle, Dow/Rohm & Haas, InBev/Anheuser Busch, Thomson/Reuters, and Inco/Falconbridge.

Work for government agencies and third parties includes Vodacom/Neotel, Pioneer/Futurelife, Pioneer/Pannar, Cisco/Tandberg, T-Mobile/Orange UK and Anglo American/Kumba/Avmin.

Patrick has published widely and addressed parliamentary panels on competition topics, including the economics of merger control, cartels and class action litigation, and the role of the public interest and broader economic development considerations within competition policy.

Mr Smith holds a BSc (Hons. First Class), and MSc Chem Eng, from UCT, and an MA (First Class, economics and management) and MSc (economics for development) from Oxford, where he was a Rhodes Scholar. Mr Smith is an affiliate member of the Institute of Chemical Engineers.

## Recent case experience

- Pacific National/Aurizon, Federal Court of Australia
- GUG v NERSA, Constitutional Court of South Africa
- Tabcorp/Tatts, Australian Competition Tribunal
- Dow/DuPont, EU and global merger filings
- Streetmap v Google, UK High Court
- First Quantum v DRC, ICC, ICSID

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