

Janine Thompson

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Janine is a Chartered Accountant with over 20 years of experience working on a range of dispute advisory and forensic investigations assignments in Australia. She has also worked in external and internal audit for KPMG in the UK.

Janine has broad experience across a range of sectors. She is highly skilled in the management of forensic assignments, including the preparation of consulting and independent expert reports in legal proceedings, and interaction with key stakeholders such as lawyers, management, regulators and law enforcement.

Janine has been involved in a number of dispute assignments, high-profile investigations and wage remediation projects. Her experience is focused on accounting and data reconstruction, interpretation and review, as well as loss analysis. Janine has given evidence in arbitration proceedings, the NSW Supreme Court and Federal Court hearings.

Engagement Experience —

Independent and consulting expert

- Assisting a regulator in its investigation into accounting restatements made by a large listed entity, focusing on the conduct of the company and its auditors.
- Assisting a regulator in its investigation of the adequacy of work performed by professional advisors to an Initial Public Offering and the related Prospectus.
- Assessing the economic loss arising from a contractual dispute and relating to the timing of payments.
- Reviewing the work of the auditors in the matter of a cross claim stemming from a class action against a company now in liquidation.
- Assessing and substantiating a \$1 billion claim arising from a dispute on a large construction project in Western Australia, working on the matter through to conclusion of the arbitration hearing in Singapore.
- Acting as independent expert providing an opinion on the operation of the Australian Accounting Standards in class action matters.
- Assisting a large ASX listed entity under investigation by ASIC in relation to significant profit downgrades.
- Preparing Expert Determinations within Completion Accounts disputes, covering issues such as financial misstatement, stock valuation and liabilities.

Qualifications & Memberships —

- Member, CA ANZ
- Fellow, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)
- CA ANZ Forensic Accounting Specialist
- Bachelor of Laws (Honours), University of Sussex, UK
- Certificate III – Investigation Services (AIPS)
- NSW CAPI Licence – Investigation of persons



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Investigations

- Investigating acts of bribery and corruption by senior employees at a global fleet leasing company and a major customer.
- Assessing an alleged multi-million dollar “black-hole” in the accounts of a newly acquired transport company.
- Quantifying the alleged misappropriation of funds by the Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer of a skin care company.
- Reviewing the flows of funds through various bank accounts in the context of a murder investigation.
- Conducting an investigation and preparing the brief of evidence on the misappropriation of over \$1.5 million by a payroll officer.

Wage remediation

- Overseeing wage remediation calculations for clients self-reporting to the Fair Work Ombudsman in a range of industries including retail, aged care, manufacturing and transport.
- Working with the Fair Work Ombudsman Large Corporates Taskforce to review and respond to underpayment matters self-reported to the regulator.
- Working as independent and consulting expert on wage underpayment class actions, commenting on appropriate methodologies and performing calculations.