



**DEANNE NICOLOSO AZAMBUJA (NEE SMITH)
LAWYER, ACADEMIC TUTOR, WRITER, YOGA
INSTRUCTOR.**

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SKILLS

Excellent interpersonal skills having worked for many years with people from a wide range of diverse backgrounds.

Excellent time management skills having studied full time and worked full time while raising eight children.

Excellent advocacy skills confirmed within attached references.

Portuguese Language.

HOBBIES

Languages, currently studying Italian.
Writing, currently working on a novel.

REFEREES

Adam Simperingham Partner at
Woodward-Chrisp Lawyers, NZ
Adam.s@woodward-chrisp.co.nz

Professor Ross Martin QC Griffith
University. Ross.martin@griffith.edu.au

EDUCATION

Massey University New Zealand

1995 - 1997

Bachelor of Arts (Psychology).

Auckland University New Zealand

1998-2001

Bachelor of Law

Veda Yoga School, Australia

2018-2019

Yoga Instructor Certificate 350 hours.

Federal University Brazil

2019

Certificate in Portuguese Language.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Paul Heaslip Lawyer, Auckland New Zealand

2002-2004

Junior Solicitor criminal law litigation.

Criminal Barrister, Westside Chambers, Auckland New Zealand

2004-2012

Criminal Legal Aid, Duty Solicitor, Specialist Youth Lawyer, District and High Court litigation.

Criminal Solicitor, Woodward-Chrisp Lawyers, Gisborne New Zealand

2012-2015 and re-employed during the 2020 New Zealand Lockdown on a short-term contract.

Criminal Solicitor, Specialist Youth Lawyer, District and High Court litigation. Training provider for junior lawyers.

Criminal Solicitor, Howden Saggars Lawyers, Queensland, Australia

2017-2018 (Part Time)

Criminal Solicitor

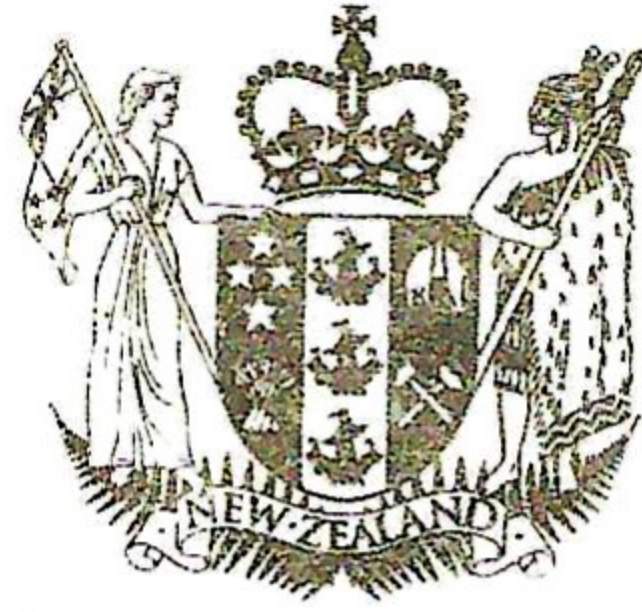
Yoga Instructor Fitness Center Plus Padel, Bage Brazil

2019 (Six months)

Owner/Manager/Instructor of Yoga Studio

Academic Tutor at Griffith University, Gold Coast and Nathan Campuses, Queensland Australia

2014-Present date, (working online during the 2020 lockdown from NZ)
Law School Criminal law courses, Crime 1 & 2 - tutor/grader/lecturer when required. **School of Criminology**, tutor, and grader of various courses.



HIS HONOUR JUDGE PHILIP RECORDON

2 June 2010

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Re: Deanne Smith

I am pleased to have the opportunity to write a reference for Deanne Smith.

Before coming to Waitakere District Court as a judge seven years ago I did not know Deanne. It turned out that I knew one of her aunts with whom I worked in South Auckland for many years. Her aunt confirmed what I have found out about Deanne. She is a bubbly, intelligent, hard-working person and advocate for her many and varied clients in our general court and in our Youth Court.

The lawyers who appear in our courts vary as one would expect in the areas of reliability, ability, interest in their work and clients, and empathy with clients. Deanne is right at the top of the tree, has been a willing learner over the years, is respected by her clients and by the many judges who come into contact with her. She works hard. She is on time. She is reliable. Her word can always be accepted. Her advocacy is excellent. She is endowed with commonsense. Her field of work has expanded as her experience has grown.

Deanne is a good person. She lives for her family and for her work. Whatever employment she sought she would always give her best and would never let anyone down.

I am happy to be contacted at any time to speak to this reference.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Phil Recordon', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Phil Recordon
District Court Judge

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27 November 2013

REFERENCE: DeANNE NICOLOSO-AZAMBUJA

It is a pleasure for me to be able to provide a reference for DeAnne Nicoloso-Azambuja.

DeAnne worked for me for approximately two and a half years in the litigation team at Woodward Chrisp in Gisborne.

DeAnne is an experienced criminal defence lawyer. However, DeAnne would readily turn her hand to other areas of the law when asked to do so.

DeAnne was a ray of sunshine in our office. She was invariably positive notwithstanding the sometimes depressing nature of our work at the criminal bar.

DeAnne was a popular member of staff who was considerate and kind.

DeAnne's ability to think outside the square made her an outstanding advocate and problem solver.

DeAnne's people skills are second to none. She maintained good relationships with Judges, Court Staff, Police, Probation Officers and all other professionals whom she was required to deal with for her work.

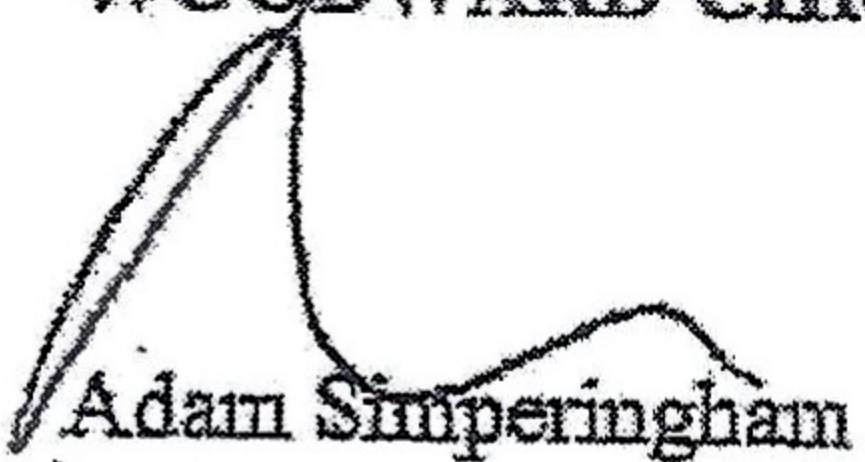
DeAnne's social skills and emotional intelligence stand her head and shoulders above the average person. Her insight, understanding and empathy for others was second to none and enabled her to expose the real issues that sat behind the ostensible facts and evidence on any file.

DeAnne left Woodward Chrisp of her own accord to emigrate to Australia. Our loss will be another employer's gain.

My partners and I would recommend DeAnne to any other employer without hesitation.

I can be contacted for further comment by email or phone if required.

Yours faithfully
WOODWARD CHRISP


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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND
AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

IN THE MATTER of the Lawyers & Conveyancers Act 2006

AND

IN THE MATTER of **DEANNE KATHLEEN SMITH**

I, Sean McGillicudy, Deputy Registrar of the High Court of New Zealand at

AUCKLAND, HEREBY CERTIFY that **DEANNE KATHLEEN SMITH**

was admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand at

AUCKLAND on the 14th June 2002

AND I DO FURTHER CERTIFY that the name of **DEANNE KATHLEEN SMITH** is still upon the Roll of Barristers and the Roll of Solicitors of the High Court of New Zealand at **AUCKLAND** and that at the date of the issue of this certificate no advice to remove the name from the roll has been received.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the High Court of New Zealand at

AUCKLAND this 21st Day of November 2013



Sean McGillicudy
DEPUTY REGISTRAR
HIGH COURT AUCKLAND



In the Supreme Court of New South Wales

Be it known that,

*Deanne Kathleen Nicoloso-Azambuja
was on the Third day of December in the year of
our Lord Two Thousand and Thirteen admitted
as a Legal Practitioner of the Supreme Court of
New South Wales, pursuant to the Trans-
Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997, of the
Commonwealth with all rights and privileges
thereunto belonging or appertaining.*

In Witness whereof

*The Seal of the Supreme Court be hereunto
affixed on the Eighth day of April, in the year of
our Lord Two Thousand and Fourteen.*



[Signature]
for Prothonotary

 **Nicoloso, DeAnne** (d.nicoloso@griffith.edu.au)

Nominate teacher for an award



Classes: TUT/T103, TUT/T104, TUT/T105, TUT/T106, TUT/T107, TUT/T108, TUT/T109,

Teaching 5 points questions

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| 3 | This staff member treated students with respect. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> |
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| 5 | Overall I am satisfied with the teaching of this staff member. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | <input checked="" type="radio"/> |

Teaching Open questions

- 6 What aspects of this staff member's teaching were most valuable to your learning?

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Deanne is hands down the best staff member on campus. It is common advice amongst law students now to only enrol in the crime tutorials taught by DeAnne, she is known for being compassionate, thorough and entertaining in what are difficult subjects.

- 7 How could this staff member's teaching be improved?

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The tutorials should be longer, 2 hours. DeAnne is practically perfect and makes the content so enjoyable and entertaining that the time flies by and you wonder where it went. If the university could invest in some DeAnne-cloning technology it would be a good decision.

(I have friends who go to both UQ and QUT for Law who have specifically mentioned hearing positive reviews about DeAnne).