



GREENWAY CHAMBERS

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Background

Faheem Anwar is a barrister with a commercial practice specialising in construction and infrastructure law and employment and industrial law.

He is regularly briefed in complex, high-value disputes in the Supreme Court of New South Wales, the Court of Appeal, the Fair Work Commission, the Industrial Relations Commission, and international arbitrations. His practice includes large disputes (including matters involving hundreds of millions of dollars) concerning infrastructure and energy projects and complex multi-party industrial disputes.

Faheem is frequently trusted to appear unled in significant matters, including against senior counsel. He is known for his analytical approach, careful preparation, and ability to work closely with solicitors, experts, and senior counsel in technically demanding disputes.

Outside of work, Faheem enjoys spending time with family, reading and watching sports, especially cricket and rugby.

Specialisations

- Building, construction and infrastructure law
- Arbitration
- Employment and industrial law

Professional recognition

- Doyles Guide: Leading Construction & Infrastructure Junior Counsel - New South Wales - Recommended (2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Australia - Construction / Infrastructure Law (2025)
- Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Australia - Labour and Employment Law (2025)

Areas of Expertise

Building, Construction
and Infrastructure

Arbitration

Industrial and
Employment Law

Building, construction and infrastructure

Lake Macquarie City Council v Newcastle Resources [2024] NSWSC 1131; [2024] NSWSC 1646

Lake Macquarie City Council v Newcastle Resources [2024] NSWSC 1131; [2024] NSWSC 1646 – Faheem is currently acting for the plaintiff in proceedings in the Supreme Court of New South Wales arising out of the supply of a road-base material used by the plaintiff to construct and repair roads. The amount in dispute is approximately \$120 million. The proceedings settled partway through the hearing – led by L Shipway.

CPB Contractors Pty Limited v HDI-Global SE, Australia (2024)

Faheem acted for the contractor in proceedings in the Supreme Court of New South Wales arising out of the construction of a motorway project in New Zealand. The contractor claimed indemnity from its insurer pursuant to a Contract Works / Advance Loss of Profits policy. The amount in dispute is approximately NZ\$194 million. The proceedings settled prior to the hearing – led by J Thompson SC and B Bradley.

Ghafoor v Ryte Homes Pty Ltd [2024] NSWSC 370

Faheem acted for the applicant in proceedings in the Supreme Court of New South Wales seeking a declaration that a payment claim issued under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 1999 was void. The declaration was granted – unled.

Mooi Holdings Pty Ltd v SFN Constructions Pty Ltd (2024)

Faheem acted for the builder in proceedings in the Supreme Court of New South Wales arising out of the termination of a contract for the construction of residential apartments at Bellevue Hill. The proceedings settled prior to the hearing – led by I Roberts SC.

Total Construction Pty Ltd v Catholic Healthcare Limited [2023] NSWSC 585

Faheem acted for a principal in relation to an application made by the contractor for an interlocutory injunction to restrain recourse to bank guarantees – led by T Breakspear SC.

Geoffrey Stewart Constructions v Nottingham (2023)

Faheem acted for the builder in proceedings in the Supreme Court of NSW. The key issue was whether representations made by the developer in the request for tender constituted misleading or deceptive conduct. The proceedings settled at mediation – led by T Breakspear SC.

MP Water Pty Ltd v Veolia Water Australia Pty Ltd (No 2) [2021] NSWSC 892; MP Water Pty Ltd v Veolia Water Australia Pty Ltd (No 3) [2021] NSWSC 1023; MP Water Pty Ltd v Veolia Water Australia Pty Ltd (No 4) [2021] NSWSC 1428

Faheem acted for the design and construction contractor of a major water treatment facility in proceedings in the Supreme Court of New South Wales. The dispute concerned complex issues of contractual interpretation and whether the prevention principle applied – led by M Ashurst SC and J Wright.

Icon v Meso (2021)

Faheem acted for the builder against the developer and insurers in Supreme Court of NSW proceedings concerning latent conditions and delay costs. The proceedings also involved complex issues concerning the interpretation of the insurance policy and the rectification of the contract. The proceedings settled prior to the hearing – led by T Breakspear SC.

Duffy Kennedy Pty Ltd v Galileo Miranda Nominee Pty Ltd (2020) 101 NSWLR 927

Faheem acted for the appellant builder in Court of Appeal proceedings. The key issues included the right to suspend works under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act 1999, as well as the validity of a contractual show cause notice – led by F Hicks SC and S Ahmed.

Beta Build Group v El Baba (No. 2) [2020] NSWDC 238; Beta Build Group v El Baba (No. 3) [2020] NSWDC 272

Faheem acted for the builder in relation to an application for the adoption of a referee’s report on the question of rectification costs for building defects in the District Court of NSW – unled.

NEXTracker Inc v ACN 003 905 093 Pty Ltd (formerly RCR O’Donnell Griffin Pty Ltd) (In Liquidation) [2019] NSWSC 1604

Faheem acted for the plaintiff in NSW Supreme Court proceedings concerning the interpretation of a contract for the construction of a solar farm project – led by I Roberts SC.

Arbitration

Road Infrastructure Arbitration (2024)

Faheem acted for an Italian engineering consultancy in an international arbitration under the ICC rules arising out of a major motorway expansion project in New South Wales. The amount in dispute was approximately \$61 million – led by I Roberts SC and J Wright.

Gas Infrastructure Arbitration (2023)

Faheem acted for a tier 1 contractor in an international arbitration under the ICC rules arising out of the design and construction of cryogenic tanks for a large LNG project in the Northern Territory. The amount in dispute was approximately \$1 billion – led by R McHugh SC, T Breakspear SC and A Rollnick.

Industrial law

Re application by Ai Group [2025] FWCFB

Faheem acted for a group of unions in relation to an application to vary a modern award to resolve an ambiguity or uncertainty – unled against senior counsel.

APA (NSW) v New South Wales Ambulance (Virtual Clinical Care Centre Clinicians) No 2 [2025] NSWIRComm 1085

Faheem acted for the union in relation to an industrial dispute arising from the employer’s decision to reclassify certain positions under the Paramedics Award – unled.

Application by the MEU and the AMWU [2025] FWCFB 188

Faheem acted for one of the unions in relation to an application for a regulated labour hire arrangement order – unled against senior counsel.

EDI Rail PPP Maintenance Pty Ltd v AMWU [2025] FWC 1649

Faheem acted for the union in relation to an application by the employer to stop unprotected industrial action - unled.

Application by Genus Infrastructure NSW/ACT

Faheem acted for a union in relation to an application for the approval of a greenfields agreement under. The issue in dispute was whether the relevant union was entitled to represent the industrial interests of a majority of the employees covered by the agreement. The application was discontinued by the other party after the hearing - unled.

Transgrid v CEPU [2024] FWC 2182

Faheem acted for a union in relation to an application brought by the employer to suspend or terminate protected industrial action - led by J Agius SC.

AMWU v Opal Packaging Australia Pty Ltd [2023] FWC 3168

Faheem acted for a union in relation to the arbitration of a dispute regarding the interpretation of an enterprise agreement - unled.

Application for Crown Employees (School Psychologists – Department of Education) Salaries Award [2023] NSWIRComm 1051

Faheem acted for a union in relation to an application for a new award for school psychologists - unled.

PSA v Secretary of the Department of Education (COVID-19 Protocols) [2022] NSWIRComm 1063

Faheem acted for a union in relation to an industrial dispute concerning the implementation of Covid-19 protocols - unled.

FBEU v Industrial Relations Secretary (In Orders Dispute) [2022] NSWIRComm 1016

Faheem acted for a union in relation to an industrial dispute concerning the proposed introduction of new arrangements for dealing with staff shortage at retained fire stations - unled.

ASU v Transport Secretary (Transport for NSW) (No 2) [2021] NSWIRComm 1100

Faheem acted for a union in relation to an application for a new award to maintain the conditions of employment previously enjoyed by employees affected by a restructure - unled.

Employment Law

Ashton v State of New South Wales [2025] NSWIRComm 1028; [2025] NSWCA 199

Faheem acted for the applicant in relation to an application seeking relief from victimisation - led by O Fagir.

Dadley v Commissioner of Fire and Rescue NSW [2022] NSWIRComm 1025; Dadley v Fire and Rescue NSW [2020] NSWIRComm 1084

Faheem acted for the applicant in relation to an unfair dismissal application - unled against senior counsel.

Baker v Woolworths Group Limited (No 2) [2022] FCA 534

Faheem acted for the applicants in relation to an application for court approval of a proposed settlement of a class action for underpayment of employees - led by T Lynch SC.

Joshua Austin v AGL Energy Limited [2021] FWC 5910

Faheem acted for the applicant in unfair dismissal proceedings. The proceedings concerned the employer's jurisdictional objections regarding the high-income threshold and award coverage - unled.

Walsham v Fire & Rescue NSW [2021] NSWIRComm 1013

Faheem acted for the applicant in a public sector disciplinary appeal - unled.