

Her Honour Judge Ann Ainslie-Wallace graduated BA LLB from the University of NSW in 1978. While at the bar her principal area of practice concerned Family Law and Children's law. She also had an extensive practice for the NSW State Government appearing as Counsel representing the State Government and Counsel assisting Inquiries and Inquests.

She was admitted to the NSW Bar in December of 1978 and practised as a barrister until her appointment to the bench of the District Court of NSW in July 1997. Since her appointment to the Bench, Her Honour has presided over Criminal and Civil trials.

She is a Deputy Chair of the NSW Medical Tribunal.

Her Honour's interest in Advocacy comes from her practice as a barrister and from her long time interest in teaching and fostering good advocacy.

In 2006 she was appointed Adjunct Professor of Law (Advocacy) at UTS.

She is a Director of the Board of the Australian Advocacy Institute and has been a member of the teaching faculty of that Institution since its inception in 1990. She is the Chair of the Australian Advocacy Institute, Management Committee.

She is a member of the Law Society's Specialist Accreditation Board and the Chair of the Law Society's Advocacy Specialist Accreditation Advisory Committee.

She is a visiting faculty member of the National Institute for Trial Advocacy (USA), based in Louisville, Colorado.

Her teaching commitments include teaching lawyers in all states of Australia, conducting workshops in Advocacy in Hong Kong, Italy, Bangladesh, Singapore and the USA.

Her Honour has taught undergraduate courses in Advocacy for Monash University at the campus in Prato, Italy, and for the University of Hong Kong and has conducted occasional teaching sessions in Advocacy at the University of Sydney. She regularly assists in teaching in the NSW Bar Readers Course.

In association with the Institute of Forensic Studies she has taught members of the NSW Medical Board, members of the Commonwealth Professional Services Review Tribunal and experts retained by Unisearch.