

## Resume for JJ Whelan

**Name:** John Joseph Whelan (Jack)

**Occupation:** Barrister, Mediator, Negotiator, Trainer, Adviser, Speech Writer, Co-Founder.

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**Qualifications:**

Bachelor of Economics (Honours), University of Sydney, completed 1994.

Bachelor of Laws, University of New England, completed, 2009.

Diploma of Laws, College of Law, completed 2010.

Masters of Dispute Resolution, University of Technology, completed 2012.

Diploma of Family Dispute Resolution, College of Law, completed 2017.

**Current Memberships:**

Resolution Institute, NSW Bar Association (2017) and PI Commission as a Member Mediator.

**Work History:**

1988 to 1993: Labourer and process worker with Forstaff Labour Hire Fairfield.

1993 and 1994: Cricketer for Hallam Cricket Club Sheffield South Yorkshire United Kingdom.

1994 - 2004: Research, Policy Officer and Speech Writer for the Honourable Bob Carr MP.

2004 - 2006: Senior Adviser and Speech Writer to the Honourable Kim Beazley.

2006 - 2009: Director of Policy, Business Coordination and Road Safety for the NSW RMS.

2009 - 2010: Senior Adviser and Speech Writer to Prime Minister Julia Gillard MP.

2010 - 2013: Chief of Staff to the Commonwealth Attorney and Minister for Justice.

2013 - 2018: Part time dementia carer, Mediator, Trainer, Speech Writer, and Co-Founder.

2018 to present: Mediator, Barrister, Investigator, Adviser, Negotiator, Speechwriter and Co-Founder of The Separation Guide at [www.theseparationguide.com.au](http://www.theseparationguide.com.au) achieving more than 300,000 users to May 2023.

**Practice areas:** Administrative Law, Employment Law, Workplace Investigations, Personal Injury, Worker's Compensation, Family Law, Professional Disciplinary Proceedings, Migration Law, Mediation having conducted more than 650 mediations and drafter of more than 300 speeches for political leaders, Members of Parliament, CEOs and public figures.

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