

## **KEISHA HOPGOOD**

Keisha is currently Managing Solicitor of the Children's Criminal Practice at the ALS, where she works across practice, policy and management. Keisha has always had a strong professional interest in children's legal issues - working as a children's criminal law lawyer since her admission. She has a strong belief in the importance of combining high level policy and advocacy work with an ongoing connection to 'on the ground' practice experience. She was previously the Deputy Principal Legal Officer at the ALS and worked for the Children's Legal Service at Legal Aid NSW between 2009-2017.

Keisha is regularly involved in working groups, committees and inquiries centred around youth diversion and youth justice issues. In recent months her work has had a particular focus on raising the age of criminal responsibility and the issue of short-term remand of young people. She is a current member of the Children's Court Advisory Committee and Children's Legal Issues Committee of the Law Society NSW.