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After five years in legal practice Laurence became an academic and shortly afterwards established a dispute resolution practice. He is an accredited mediator. For over 30 years he has mediated a variety of disputes in different states and territories and abroad: community, neighbourhood, commercial, native title, work injury, intellectual property, workplace and organisational matters. He has conducted DR workshops and seminars throughout the country and in 12 overseas jurisdictions, from the Cook Islands to Sweden. He has led DR Walkshops in Sydney, Newcastle, Canberra and the Gold Coast.

Dr Boulle has held senior appointments at three Australian universities and taught at four others. He has been visiting professor at institutions in New Zealand, Europe and South Africa and has presented numerous workshops and webinars for, inter alia, the NSW Law Society, the Law Institute of Victoria, the Resolution Institute, the National Judicial College and the Queensland Bar Association.

Laurence has written, co-authored or edited 20 books on dispute resolution, constitutional law, employment law and globalisation, published in seven jurisdictions. His latest is *Mediation and Conciliation in Australia* (LexisNexis, Sydney, 2023).