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Qualifications & Memberships

- CFA Charter Holder
- Member, CFA Society of Sydney
- Bachelor of Commerce, The University of Queensland

Matthew provides expert advice to clients, their legal advisers and the courts on contentious business, finance and accounting matters. He has more than 12 years of corporate finance and dispute advisory experience and has developed a diverse set of technical capabilities across damages quantification, business valuations and financial modelling.

Matthew works on independent expert, consulting expert and expert determination assignments where the application of business valuation or economic loss quantification methods are often required. He also provides valuations advice to both buy and sell side clients across a range of industries in Australia for mergers and acquisitions, tax, and accounting purposes.

Matthew also has significant experience in the preparation and review of financial models in the context of litigation proceedings, business valuations, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, financial reporting and restructures.

Prior to joining McGrathNicol, Matthew worked in the Queensland forensic accounting practice of another chartered accounting firm and has previously worked in the corporate finance practice of a 'Big 4' firm based in Brisbane.

Engagement Experience

Dispute advisory

- Expert reports regarding quantification of loss caused by early termination of an FPSO services agreement.
- Expert report quantifying loss of profits arising from alleged wrongful termination of a stevedoring contract in the nickel mining sector.
- Consulting expert advice in relation to a dispute between a coal miner and a coal preparation plant contractor, including loss quantification and preparation of a financial model.
- Consulting expert advice in a dispute between a coal-fired power station owner and coal mine operator, including loss quantification, estimates of undertakings as to damages and analysis of potential settlement outcomes.
- Expert determination of a dispute between the parties to a share sale agreement relating to Australian and international coffee businesses.
- Expert report quantifying loss due to breaches of warranties in a share sale agreement for the acquisition of a payroll software licencing business.
- Expert reports quantifying hypothetical distributions to debenture holders of a mortgage, property and private equity investment holding company in receivership.
- Expert reports regarding quantification of loss caused by alleged auditor negligence and breaches of directors' duties in connection with the collapse of a New Zealand property group.



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- Consulting expert advice in relation to a pricing dispute between a grain terminal operator and a customer.

Valuations

- Retrospective valuation of coal mine royalty rights in connection with a tax controversy.
- Purchase price allocation of an acquired interest in an integrated iron ore mine and associated port and rail infrastructure project for a Japanese trading company.
- Valuation of an equipment rental business for a potential debt restructuring.
- Valuation of a household goods and general merchandise retail group for strategic purposes.
- Purchase price allocation of an enterprise-grade cloud networking products and services business, including the valuation of brand and trademarks, customer intangibles, software, and goodwill for accounting and tax purposes.
- Valuation and fairness opinion in relation to the proposed acquisition of a 50% interest in a regional commercial radio broadcasting company.
- Valuation of a global oil and gas company's downstream CSG-LNG infrastructure assets in Queensland.
- Valuation of a private higher education business in relation to the transfer of shares in the company.
- Valuation of portfolio of 25 retirement villages for the purpose of a proposed re-financing of the business.

Financial modelling

- Acquisition pricing analysis and modelling on behalf of a prospective bidder for three metallurgical coal projects in Queensland.
- Acquisition pricing analysis and modelling on behalf of two prospective investors interested in providing debt and equity recapitalisation funding for Western Australian gold assets in voluntary administration.
- Transaction advisory and financial modelling in relation to a proposed debt capital investment in a copper and gold mining operation in Queensland.
- Financial model quantifying a coal mining company's loss due to alleged misleading or deceptive conduct by a coal preparation plant contractor.
- Financial forecast model for a rail infrastructure asset for restructuring purposes.
- Financial forecast model for a mining contractor in receivership in connection with a potential sale of the business by the receiver.
- Financial modelling and feasibility analysis of residential property development projects to provide strategic advice to a real estate investment manager.
- Financial model for a Queensland citrus orchard as part of an independent business review.