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Helen has experience representing both unions and their members. She has represented a range of unions representing workers of many walks of life, from airline workers to bus driver during industrial action and restructuring. Recently she has represented unions and their members in matters of contractual interpretation, industrial action, classification with regard to vulnerability and dismissal. She pursued the successful reinstatement of the “Harlem Shakers”. She is particularly interested in solving the problem of exploitative use of contracting.

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