

# Historical Timeline

**1885** Arthur James Johnson and John Henry Maddock became partners  
 1891/92 John Henry Maddock became the Mayor of Prahran (councillor 1889 to 1903)  
 1900 to 1903 Charles Jamieson councillor for City of Northcote  
 1909 Andrew McGregor Lonie became a partner  
 1909 Jamieson died at age 43  
 1909 Melbourne Citymission became a client  
 Mid 1920's staff numbers around 30  
 1931 staff numbers dropped to around 12 due to The Great Depression  
 20 November 1933 death of John Henry Maddock aged 77  
 1939 was the start of The Second World War - staff numbers decrease to 8  
 1940 Lyston Chisholm and Frank Lonie became partners  
 26 April 1940 death of Andrew McGregor Lonie  
 Mid 1940's staff numbers around 15 employees  
 1954 Don Chisholm became a partner  
 1964 Ian Lonie became a partner (now 4 partners)  
 1965 Barry Fry became a partner (now 5 partners)  
 July 1969 Lyston Chisholm died  
 1970 Clive Reid, Jean Alcorn, David Miles, Andrew Richards and Ian Malkin became partners (now 8 partners); Jean was the first woman partner  
 April 1970 Frank Lonie retired  
 1974 Marina Albert, John Bennison, John Atkins and Ewen Gurney became partners  
 1974 Electric typewriters were given to the partners' secretaries and senior typists for the first time  
 1977 Graham Page and Murray Hill became partners  
 1978 John Cicero and David Laidlaw became partners  
 1981 John Chisholm, Brendan Griffin and Sandy McKendrick became partners  
 1985 - first partner's retreat at RACV Country Club at Healesville  
 1986 Typists were issued with desks instead of tables and the Olivetti word processing system found the firm pioneering the move to computer use  
 By 1990 there were 15 partners  
 1990 - Liz Ryan appointed as the first Human Resources Manager  
 1990 the first lateral partner hires Geoff Musgrove and Ray Oddy (joint) managing partners  
 By 1993 there has been 3 female partners  
 1995 David Rennick became partner  
 November 1995 Graham Page killed in car accident on client business in northern Victoria  
 1996 the Vietnam construction law project  
 2002 David Laidlaw appointed the firm's first CEO  
 1 July 2002 - Sydney Office opened with Stan Kondilios and one other partner, 4 lawyers and 7 staff  
 By 2003 there were 31 partners  
 March 2006 refurbishment of 140 William Street completed  
 2008 David Rennick appointed CEO  
 2010 there are a total of 54 partners including almost 400 employees. The Sydney office has 15 partners, 42 lawyers and around 90 staff

**1885** **1910** **1935** **1960** **1985** **2010**

**1 August 1885 Maddock & Johnson** **1 October 1892 Maddock, Johnson & Jamieson** **September 1899 Maddock & Jamieson** **8 February 1909 Maddock, Jamieson & Lonie** **15 May 1940 Maddock Lonie Chisholm** **2003 Maddocks**

1885 -1896 Located at 70 Queen Street Melbourne 1896 -1913 Located at Market Buildings - 445 Collins Street Melbourne 1913 -1940 Located at 136 Queen Street, Melbourne (building purchased by Maddock in 1911) 1940 - 1974 Located at 339 Collins Street, Melbourne 1974 - 1986 Located at 60 Market Street, Melbourne 1986 - 1996 Located at 440 Collins Street, Melbourne 1996 – 2010 Located at 140 William Street, Melbourne 2002 – 2004 Sydney office located at O'Connell Street, Sydney 2004 – 2010 Sydney office located at Angel Place, Sydney

1895 - early 1920's Branch office at Korumburra and Loch "Maddock & Shegog" 1897 Branch office at Albert Street Daylesford 1971 Branch office at 864 Nepean Highway Moorabbin 1979 – 1987 Branch office at Watton St Werribee

1887 An Australian cricket team is established, defeating England in the first Ashes series  
 1889 Completion of the railway network between Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne and Sydney  
 1891 A severe depression hits Australia  
 1899 The decision is made to site the national capital in New South Wales, but not within 100 miles of Sydney  
 1900 The constitution is passed by the Parliament of the United Kingdom as a schedule to the Commonwealth of Australia Constitution Act, and is given royal assent  
 1903 The High Court of Australia is established with Samuel Griffith as the first Chief Justice  
 1912 Australia sends women to the Olympic Games for the first time  
 1914 Australian soldiers are sent to the First World War. This was first time Australians had fought under the Australian flag, as opposed to that of Britain's  
 1918 First World War ends  
 1939 Victoria is devastated by the Black Friday bushfires  
 1942 National daylight saving is introduced as a war time measure  
 1945 The Second World War ends  
 1949 Indigenous Australians who are eligible to vote in State Elections in New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and Tasmania are also given the right to vote in Federal Elections  
 1956 Melbourne holds the Olympics  
 1966 The Australian currency is changed to dollars and cents, with the Australian Dollar replacing the Australian pound  
 1973 The Federal voting age is dropped from 21 to 18  
 1975 A constitutional crisis occurs when Malcolm Fraser blocks supply, bringing the nation to a standstill until Gough Whitlam. Fraser wins elections and becomes Prime Minister  
 1983 Australia wins the America's Cup; Bob Hawke defeats Fraser and leads Labor back to government. The Australian Dollar is floated. The Ash Wednesday fires kill 71 people  
 1996 Liberal John Howard becomes Prime Minister, defeating Paul Keating after a record 13 years of Labor government  
 2000 Sydney holds the Summer Olympics. Australia introduces a Goods and Services Tax  
 2004 Federal Election: The John Howard led conservative Liberal and National Party coalition wins its fourth term in office after defeating the Mark Latham led Australian Labor Party at the federal election  
 2007 Federal Election: Australian Labor Party is elected; Kevin Rudd becomes Prime Minister  
 2008 Kevin Rudd officially apologises to the Stolen Generation