

Harold Vivian Jaques

Harold Vivian 'Sandy' Jaques was associate to Sir Edmund Barton and admitted to the New South Wales Bar on 15 February 1907 on the motion of the Attorney General Charles Wade. Jaques travelled to England privately and enlisted as a lieutenant in an Officer Training Unit at St John's Wood, England, in February 1916 for the 121st Battery, Royal Field Artillery. The training involved learning to care for horses, riding and gun work. He was gazetted second-lieutenant 7 July, serving with battery in France until severely wounded at Vimy Ridge supporting a Canadian attack on 9 April 1917. As a result of his wounds he lost a leg and a finger. Writing home about the incident he said he had 'lost an argument with a 'Hun' shell, in which the shell won easily'. He returned to Australia by passenger ship 30 May 1918.

Harold was the son of Alfred E Jaques of the law firm Stephen Jaques and Stephen. He had an extensive and successful career in workers compensation in particular and was the director of a number of successful companies, including ARC Engineering Pty Ltd; director of Kandos Cement Company Limited, Pipe Linings (Australasia) Pty Ltd

Was MLA for Eastern Suburbs and Bondi from 1920 to 1930.

Further information

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