

HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS PROMOTES 34 TO SENIOR ASSOCIATE IN AUSTRALIA

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Herbert Smith Freehills is proud to recognise the high performance, technical skills and strong leadership capabilities of our talented lawyers with the promotion of 34 to the role of senior associate.

[Sue Gilchrist](#), Regional Managing Partner Australia and Asia, said: “The promotions of these capable and accomplished lawyers is due recognition of their outstanding commitment to client service, dedication to delivering the highest quality legal and business advice, and their demonstrated leadership skills both within the firm and the broader business community.

“I am confident that our new senior associates will continue to contribute significantly to the ongoing growth and success of the firm, as well as to our clients’ businesses and I look forward to the fresh insights and perspectives they each will bring to bear in their new roles.

“We congratulate all of these new senior associates on their success and wish them all the best for their careers.”

Effective from 1 July 2017, the promotions come from across all of our Australian offices - Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney - and include lawyers from our Corporate, Disputes, Competition, Regulation & Trade, Employment, Pensions & Incentives, Finance, Real Estate & Projects and Pro Bono practices.

More than 50 per cent of the 34 senior associates are women, which reflects Herbert Smith Freehills’ strong, on-going commitment to diversity and to attracting, promoting and retaining top female talent.

This announcement follows the appointment of 21 new partners across the Herbert Smith Freehills network in May this year, including six in Australia.

The new senior associates are:

Corporate

- Julie Comminos, Sydney
- Eliza Eaton, Brisbane
- Amy Henderson, Melbourne
- Chelsea Herman, Perth
- Daniel Johnson, Sydney
- Geoff Kerrigan, Perth
- Peter Moh, Melbourne
- Claire Thompson, Melbourne
- Steven Zographakis, Sydney

Disputes

- Bibhu Aggarwal, Sydney
- James Emmerig, Sydney
- Christopher Hicks, Perth
- Elise Higgs, Brisbane
- Simon Kaufman, Melbourne
- Joseph O'Shea, Brisbane
- James Page, Melbourne
- Sophie Payton, Melbourne

Competition, Regulation & Trade

- Philip Aitken, Melbourne

Employment, Pensions & Incentives

- Sophie Beaman, Sydney
- Nicole Brennan, Brisbane
- Jessica Brivik, Melbourne

Finance, Real Estate & Projects

- Lisa Di Marco, Brisbane
- Michael D'Agostino, Melbourne
- Lisa Coralie Gouldson, Perth
- Oanh Ho, Melbourne
- Rhiannon Hough, Melbourne
- Thomas Lai, Sydney
- Jean Liu, Melbourne
- Theresa McSweeney*, Sydney
- Shadia Rahman, Perth
- Annie Seo, Sydney

- Nina Valentine, Brisbane
- Daniel Webster, Sydney

Pro Bono

- Jacki Maxton, Sydney

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