



# MINING

POSITIVE COMMERCIAL OUTCOMES FROM PIT TO PORT AND BEYOND

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We are one of the world's leading mining law firms. We work with clients of all sizes, in many geographical regions and at every stage of mine life - we get to see a lot. We have deep industry experience which allows us to support clients across the whole mine life-cycle.

## **ADVICE ACROSS THE ENTIRE MINE LIFE CYCLE**

Our dedicated global mining team covers every aspect of the industry and every stage of the project life cycle. We can advise you on any aspect of mining: from exploration and approvals to social licence issues, M&A, financing, mine development and construction, process plants, infrastructure, shipping, marketing, productivity improvements and mine care and maintenance or closure. We are experts in joint venture and corporate governance. We will help to guide you through equity and debt capital markets and restructuring steps. We are also there to help you avoid, and resolve, disputes. Our ability to act on every stage on the value chain demonstrates the breadth of specialist mining capability across our network.

## **SUPPORT IN ALL ASPECTS OF YOUR OPERATIONS**

Our clients trust us with their most important transactions, disputes and projects because of our ability to cut through complexity and propose solutions. We focus on getting to know our clients and their projects, to truly understand their objectives. Clients tell us that our ability to understand their everyday operations is equally important to getting the deal done. You can be confident that we understand the industry. We know that with the scale and timeframes of investment in the mining industry, you need us to be looking ahead, helping you to plan for future reform and developments in the regulatory and business environment before they arise.

## **LEADING INTO THE FUTURE OF MINING**

We provide highly strategic, board-level advice to assist on innovative and first-of-a-kind projects. We tackle the big issues within the mining industry to drive market reform, such as responding to the implications of climate change and [ESG issues](#). More and more, we are guiding clients in their move toward automation and the varying ways to take advantage of the technology available across the industry.

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## RECENT EXPERIENCE

### **WEST AFRICAN RESOURCES LIMITED**

Advised in respect of the USD200m project financing (WAF being the Borrower) and the project development of the Sanbrado Gold Project in Burkina Faso, including development of a BOOST model fuel facility, underground and open pit mining services, EPC power plant construction, gold refining and relevant supply contracts (WAF being the Principal).

### **HARMONY GOLD MINING COMPANY LIMITED**

Advising Harmony on its acquisition of AngloGold Ashanti's Mponeng Mine (currently the world's deepest mine at 3.84km) and its Mine Waste Solutions business in South Africa for circa US\$300 million. Our role involved a due diligence of the target assets and acting as strategic advisors to Harmony throughout the deal, including assistance in all of the negotiations relating to the transaction.

### **BARRICK GOLD CORPORATION**

Advised on the sale of its 50% interest in Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines (KCGM) to Saracen Mineral Holdings Limited.

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## **ILUKA RESOURCES LTD**

Advised on the demerger of Iluka's Mining Area C royalty business to create a separate ASX listed Australian royalty company.

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## **ROY HILL GROUP**

Advised on the refinancing of its existing project finance facility for the Roy Hill iron ore project, located in Western Australia's Pilbara region.

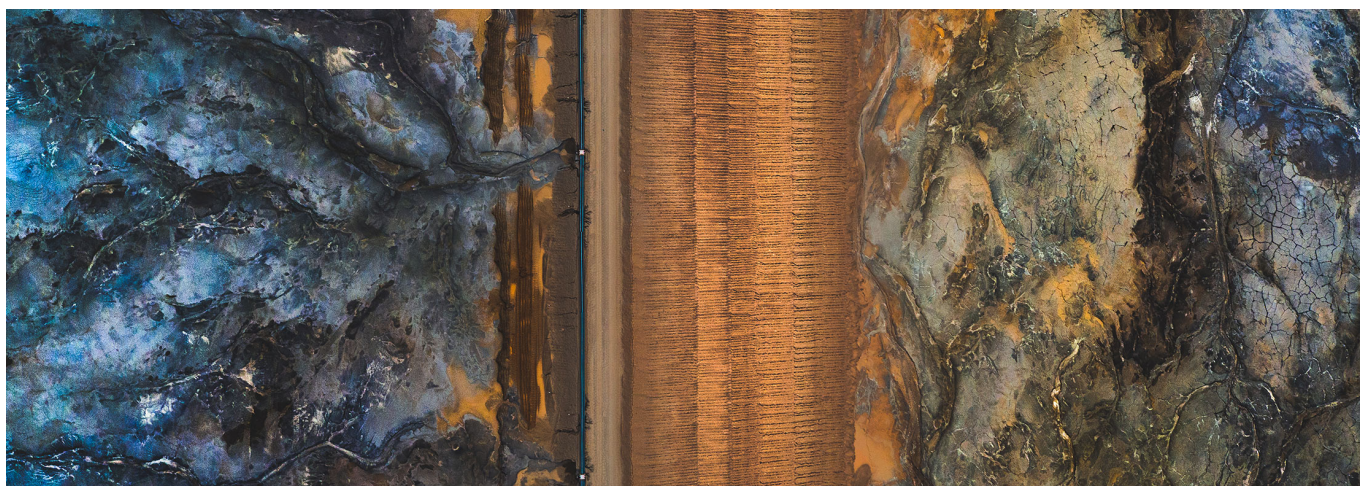
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## **ANGLO AMERICAN PLC**

Advised in connection with its global review of tailings dam regulation, including response to the request for disclosure received from an initiative group of investors led by the Church of England and the Pensions Board and the Swedish Council of Ethics of the AP Funds.

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## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**





LAWYERS WEEKLY AUSTRALIAN LAW AWARDS 2020



CLIENT CHOICE AWARDS 2021



**BAND 1 ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES**  
CHAMBERS ASIA PACIFIC



CHAMBERS AFRICA-WIDE



CHAMBERS AUSTRALIA



**BAND 1 ENERGY & NATURAL RESOURCES (INTERNATIONAL FIRMS)**  
CHAMBERS CHINA





LEGAL500 ASIA PACIFIC



LEGAL500 UNITED KINGDOM



**ENERGY AND RESOURCES TEAM OF THE YEAR**  
LAWYERS WEEKLY AUSTRALIAN LAW AWARDS 2019





CHINA BUSINESS LAW AWARDS 2018-2019

			
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