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Areas of expertise

Environment | Planning

Overview

Sarah works with public and private sector clients to advise on environment and planning requirements with a particular focus on compliance with State and Federal environmental laws.

She regularly advises on renewable energy, mining, forestry, infrastructure, aquaculture and major projects.

Sarah specialises in advising project proponents on a full range of statutory approvals including referral requirements under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999.

Experience

Sarah's focus is on the provision of complex environment and planning law advice to public and private sector clients.

Examples of her experience include:

- advising proponents on statutory frameworks, major project pathways and applicable exemptions;
- undertaking due diligence for major projects;
- advising on compliance with the *Environmental Management and Pollution Control Act* 1994 with a particular focus on environment protection notices and Level 2 assessments;
- advising on compliance with the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999 with a particular focus on referrals, controlled actions and assessment pathways;
- conducting planning appeals in the Tasmanian Civil & Administrative Tribunal (Resource and Planning Stream);
- coordinating judicial review proceedings of natural resource management decisions; and
- conducting proceedings under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* 1999 in the Federal Court of Australia.

Sarah is a member of the National Environmental Law Association and the Environment Institute of Australia and New Zealand and contributes to professional environment and planning law journals and publications. She holds a Master of Laws (Environmental Law) from the Australian National University and has practised in government, in-house and private practice including in London and the Pacific.