

Environment and Planning

Our planning and environment lawyers provide advice and services to a diverse group of entities within the public and private sectors. These include local government authorities, property developers, planning consultants, engineers, architects, retailers, resource and manufacturing companies, infrastructure providers and agribusinesses.

We understand the ever increasing complexities surrounding the environment and planning industry and take a proactive approach to assisting clients to develop a thorough understanding of the issues involved.

Our planning and environment team draws on our firm's expertise in property, finance, infrastructure and major projects, insurance and commercial law. This broad expertise means we can provide a 'whole of project' service for property and urban renewal projects.

Hunt & Hunt also recognises that the planning and environment regulatory framework may vary from state to state. We therefore have a strong, cross jurisdictional team that understands that projects often begin and end at the local level. We can call on lawyers in the relevant jurisdiction that have appeared for tribunals, courts and other bodies throughout Australia.

Our services

- Planning and development approvals, processes and appeals
- Developer contributions
- Regulatory compliance and enforcement
- Contamination and remediation
- Directors' and officers' liability
- Environmental audits, due diligence and environmental impact assessment
- Heritage and Native Title law
- Land use regulation, including due diligence regarding the development potential of land
- Liquor licensing
- Commonwealth, State and Local Government liaison
- Property development
- Resource project approvals
- Pollution and emission licences and offences
- Compulsory acquisition, valuation and compensation
- Policy advice on legislative amendments
- Development agreements and contracts
- Risk assessment and management
- All associated litigation.



About our firm

Established in 1929, Hunt & Hunt is a respected law firm, with offices throughout Australia, with a strong presence in China.

Based on both revenue and headcount, we are one of the largest law firms in the Asia Pacific region. As such, we have the breadth and depth of resources necessary to service the diverse needs of business, government and private clients.

Our firm's strength and reputation is in three core areas - Property, Commercial and Insurance - and encompasses a large number of work types:

- Asset and Succession Planning
- Banking and Finance
- Internet and Digital Technologies
- Corporate and Commercial
- Customs, Trade and Transport
- Employment and Workplace Relations
- Environment and Planning
- Infrastructure and Projects
- Insolvency and Debt Recovery
- Insurance
- Intellectual Property
- Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Migration
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Property
- Taxation
- Wills and Estates
- Workers Compensation.

We provide our clients with an enhanced global reach through our exclusive Australian membership of Interlaw, an association of independent commercial law firms across 120 cities. Through this association, and our strong Asia Pacific footprint, we are able to support our clients wherever they seek to do business.

Hunt & Hunt has carved out an enviable position in the Australian legal market by positioning our firm at the mid-point on price, and cost-consciously delivering premium services to our clients.

Our firm's size, structure and culture have distinct advantages. As we are not bound by bureaucracy or hindered by layers of politics, policy or procedure, we are easier to do business with. We pride ourselves on being collaborative, practical, accessible and approachable. Though our workforce is populated with brilliance, it is free from ego and arrogance.

Our firm moves with the times and innovates constantly to deliver our services more efficiently, to automate routine processes, and to add value to our clients. Yet, while we harness technological advancements, we are careful not to use technology to the disadvantage of personal relationships, or to the detriment of client service.



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