

# **BUSINESS ADVISORY**

# **CORPORATE PROFILE AND CAPABILITY STATEMENT**

### **ABOUT US**

Bennett & Philp are lawyers who understand the real world. We offer practical legal solutions across every stage of life and business.

With experts across six practice areas - Business Advisory, Intellectual Property, Disputes & Litigation, Property & Real Estate and Compensation Law – we'll help you solve, grow and succeed.

# **OUR MISSION**

To work collaboratively to deliver practical legal solutions and advice on time, at the right price, to achieve the outcomes you desire.

### **WHY WORK WITH US?**

We want to work with you in the long term. As a client of Bennett & Philp, you're more than just a number. We're your trusted partners, always available with the right advice when it matters.

We care about the growth of your business, and meeting your individual needs. As a law firm with the full range of business and personal legal services, we can support you across every stage of business.

We are your one-stop-shop with a range of experts in multiple fields at your disposal and connections with consultants and advisors both nationally and abroad.

Since our origins in 1984, Bennett & Philp Lawyers has grown to meet the changing needs of both Australian and international clients."



# BUSINESS ADVISORY AREAS OF PRACTICE

# **BUYING, SELLING AND MERGERS**

Getting into business can be a complex process. Our multi-disciplinary team can help you navigate the whole process, mitigate risks and ensure a successful outcome at every stage of the business lifecycle.

### **CONTRACTS**

Contracts play an important role in how your business operates and can mean the difference between success and failure in many cases. They affect everything from how you'll be paid to how deals are completed. We can help you draft, interpret and review to avoid the pitfalls of poorly designed and executed contracts.

# **FINANCE, LOANS & SECURITIES**

Our team can assist you through the complete lifecycle of finance from commercial borrowing, lending and capital raising arrangements to dispute, enforcement and recovery options. We can also advise you on the legal implications of raising money from investors as well as ensuring your business is compliant with the relevant legislation around loans and securities.

### **FRANCHISING**

Our franchise team has a high level of expertise in drawing up franchise agreements that protect parties and covers the technical aspects relevant to franchising. We tailor agreements for small, medium and national chains to meet the business expectations of the franchisor with consideration for the numerous legislative constraints placed on franchises.

### **HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS**

Our dedicated healthcare solutions team provides advice and legal services to a broad range of health and medical professions. Our knowledge of the pharmacy sector makes us well equipped to assist in applications to the Australian Community Pharmacy Authority, as well as undertaking business transactions for pharmacies and representations to government & statutory bodies.

# **LENDER SERVICES**

Our team undertakes advances, releases and refinance transactions for a number of private lender clients ranging from private investors to public funds. Our work in this areas includes due diligence investigations, security assessment advice as well as preparation of loan documentation, PPSR advice and the undertaking of loan recovery.

# **SHAREHOLDER & PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS**

We can prepare your shareholders' or partnership agreement suited to your position, business model and industry to help protect the powers, right and obligations of shareholders or partners. We will also review and advise you on your current agreement to improve the agreements safeguards and help resolve disputes.

# **TAX LAW**

Our team's experience includes legal advice and disputes with tax matters involving the Australian Taxation Office and the Office of State Revenue. We work alongside your finance team to understand your position and to allow you to meet your obligations and commercial goals.

### **WORKPLACE & EMPLOYMENT LAW**

We can help you prepare workplace documentation as well as review your existing documents from a human resources and OH&S perspective to advise on compliance, enforcement and risk minimisation.

# OTHER AREAS OF PRACTICE

#### **COMPENSATION LAW**

- Abuse Law
- Aircraft Injuries
- Cycling Accidents
- Death Claims
- Defective Products
- Insurance Disputes & TPD Superannuation Claims
- Medical Negligence
- Motor Vehicle Accidents
- Workplace Accidents

### **DEFAMATION**

- Social Media Defamation
- Contract Disputes & Enforcement
- Pre-Publication Advice
- Privacy

# **DISPUTES & LITIGATION**

- Business Turnarounds & Workouts
- Contract Disputes & Enforcements
- Construction Disputes
- Corporate Insolvency
- Debt Recovery
- Franchise Disputes
- Property Disputes
- Shareholder, Director & Partnership Disputes
- Workplace Disputes

# **EMPLOYMENT LAW**

- Adverse Action
- Bullying, Harrassment & Discrimination
- Dismissals & Redundancy
- Employment Conditions & Contracts
- Industrial Relations
- Workplace Discrimination

### **ESTATE LITIGATION**

- Elder Law
- Challenging a Will
- Court Ordered Wills
- Disputes Between Executors, Administrators or Beneficiaries
- Guardianship & Administration Disputes
- Negligence in Drafting Wills
- Power of Attorney Disputes
- Trust Disputes

#### **FAMILY LAW**

- Divorce & Separation
- Binding Financial Agreements
- Compulsory Mediations
- Court Consent Orders
- Negotiating Settlement of Financial Issues
- Property Settlement
- Superannuation

### **INSURANCE**

## INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Australian Consumer Law
- Commercialisation, Licensing & Protection
- Dispute Resolution & Litigation
- Information Security & Cyber Security
- Patents, Trade Marks, Copyrights & Design
- Privacy Act Compliance & Breach Notification

## **PROPERTY & REAL ESTATE**

- Body Corporate & Disputes
- Buying and Selling
- Contract Negotiations
- Conveyancing
- Due Diligence
- Leasing
- Mortgage & Finance Documentation
- Property Developments
- Subdivisions
- Town Planning

### **SUPERANNUATION**

- Limited Recourse Borrowing Arrangements
- Self-Managed Super Funds

# **WILLS & ESTATES**

- Creating a Will
- Estate Administration
- Estate Planning
- Interpreting a Will
- Mutual Wills
- Powers of Attorney & Advance Health Directives

# AN EXPERIENCED TEAM

# **MEET OUR BUSINESS ADVISORY TEAM**



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With 15 Directors and over 70 team members across six different services areas, you can rest assured that our experienced team can give you the practical and solutions-oriented legal advice you need for any occasion.

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