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OVERVIEW

Nicola Lane is a senior associate in the firm's Real Estate practice. She advises listed corporate and private clients in their capacity as property developers, vendors, purchasers, landlords, and tenants in relation to their property transactions. She also assists clients in relation to ensuring they comply with their liquor licensing obligations.

While focusing on property related issues, Nicola is also actively involved in the firm's pro bono efforts ensuring that access to justice is available to those who are less fortunate.

During her time with the firm, Nicola has also gained experience in M&A transactions, corporate advisory and litigation.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Nicola has been with the firm since November 2015 as both a paralegal and lawyer. She has been a lawyer in the Perth Real Estate Practice since December 2017.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Recently, Nicola was selected as K&L Gates' representative to join the AmCham Young and Emerging Talent Academy, which is a joint K&L Gates and AmCham initiative that includes a monthly breakfast and learn session targeted to bring young and emerging leaders together with successful leaders of business and industry. Industry leaders included Rachel Cooke, former US Consul General for Western Australia, and Professor Lyn Beazley AO, 2015 WA Australian of the Year.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- American Chamber of Commerce in Australia (AmCham) member
- Nicola is the 2019 "Local Champion" for K&L Gates' annual Global Day of Service Program which is a coordinated effort by all K&L Gates offices which focuses on building and serving our local community. She

will assist in organising the day for the Perth office and ensuring that assistance is offered to members of the community who are the most in need

EDUCATION

- Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, College of Law, Australia, 2017
- B.Com, University of Western Australia
- LL.B., University of Western Australia

ADMISSIONS

- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of Western Australia

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 29 April 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) New WA COVID-19 Laws Sets Wider Net for Impacted Landlords/Tenants

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Real Estate
- Commercial Ownership, Leasing, and Management
- Real Estate Development and Construction

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advising clients, including a distributor, in relation to compliance with Western Australia's liquor licensing laws and regulations.
- Assisting an Aboriginal Corporation in relation to the establishment of a future fund and trust structure, including preparation of documents and general corporate governance advice.
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- Assisting Goodman Fielder Group in pursuit of statutory claims for compensation for injurious affection to land resulting from planning reservation, including appearances before the Board of Valuers.
- Assisting Ningbo Xianfeng New Material Co., Ltd (China) on a restructure of its Australian operations, including corporate due diligence.

- Assisting Moonlake Investments (the investment vehicle of Mr Lu Xianfeng) in the largest dairy acquisition ever in Australia at AUD 280 million, comprising 17,890 cows over 7,062 hectares of land and 25 separate diaries in Tasmania. The transaction involved amongst other things tax advice, negotiation, securing foreign investment approvals, identifying and transferring water entitlements and otherwise all aspects of acquisition and settlement.
- Assisting Lendlease on its fund through acquisition of an industrial complex for the secure storage and destruction of documents in Perth, WA including performing legal due diligence advice and reporting.
- Advising clients, including a distributor, in relation to compliance with Western Australia's liquor licensing laws and regulations.
- Assisting a major Australian office landlord on its office and retail shop leasing arrangements for 3 office buildings in Perth's CBD.
- Assisting DRA Global Limited on its acquisition of G&S Engineering from Calibre Group, including property due diligence.
- Advising DRA Group Holdings Proprietary Limited (South Africa) on its AUD31 million acquisition of Minnov Pty Ltd, including legal and property due diligence.
- Acting for NAB on its mortgagee in possession dispositions, including contract drafting and negotiations, vendor due diligence and contract of sale management, encumbrance clearance and settlements