



Defence

Our Defence team combines specialist expertise, local market knowledge, extensive networks and a commercial focus to get results for our clients.

We work for clients nationally and can provide the right specialist for the job at any time.

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“Our defence clients get specialist legal expertise, industry knowledge and a commercial focus.”



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Partner

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Partner

We combine a strong knowledge of the South Australian defence industry, state-based laws and regulations and extensive legal expertise to provide the best possible solutions for our clients.

The broad expertise of our Defence team means we can handle a wide variety of work for our clients. We are experienced in a broad range of areas, including property and development law, dispute resolution, intellectual property and technology as well as workplace and industrial relations matters. We're also experienced in all aspects of corporate transactions including mergers and acquisitions and supply, distribution and procurement contracts.

Our significant experience in the defence industry includes acting in the acquisition of an Australian aerospace engineering company by a European buyer, including due diligence on related business interests in India. We have also acted for Commonwealth Defence contractors on local and national facilities and development sites and advised on private defence-focused landholding entities for existing and new developments. We have assisted a major defence manufacturer obtain an exemption from various requirements of equal opportunity legislation in order to provide services in the USA.

Our team is actively involved in the Defence Teaming Centre (DTC), working cooperatively to support the growth and development of the defence industry. Our team members are hands-on, dedicated to building on our relationships with government, prime contractors and small to medium enterprises. We support the industry by participating in and sponsoring industry events and sharing our significant legal expertise through industry information sessions.

Our expertise includes:

- contracting, including supply and procurement of goods and services
- property, infrastructure and development law
- commercial disputes
- risk and liability
- intellectual property, copyright, trademark and confidentiality matters
- workplace and industrial relations
- occupational health and safety
- workers compensation
- mergers, acquisitions and disposals
- due diligence

The partners (pictured opposite)

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We work in partnership with you to develop a long-term and productive working relationship that is built on mutual trust and respect. Clients come to us because of our reputation; they stay because of the experience.

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- Health
- Insurance
- Property and Development
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