



Jane Underwood has over 20 years' experience advising on transactions and disputes in the construction and infrastructure industries.

Jane practises in the areas of construction, infrastructure and resources. Jane specialises in construction disputes, including litigation, arbitration, mediation and other forms of ADR.

Jane has experience in both the public and private sectors and has worked extensively on PPP projects.

Jane is admitted to practice in Victoria, New Zealand, England and Wales.

Jane's experience includes:

Advising Project Co in a variety of dispute forums in relation to disputes arising out of the delivery of a major piece of PPP infrastructure in South Australia. This included issues of delay, defaults, default termination events, cure plans, defects, defect rectification, compensation and safety issues and claims for repudiation.

Advising in a tripartite mediation process in relation to delay, defects, defaults, compensation and site access claims.

Providing advice on the Victorian Regional Fast Rail Project, including the compulsory acquisition of land, access arrangements, the contractual position of Freight Australia, the powers of the safety regulator, variations and freedom of information legislation.

Advising a large Australian resources company in relation to a contractual dispute concerning an iron-briquettes processing plant.

Representing a contractor with respect to various third party claims arising from the design and construction of a nickel and cobalt facility in Western Australia.

Advising a defence contractor on a dispute concerning the operation of a major supply and logistics support arrangement.

Advising a major telecommunications project manager on a dispute arising from the operation and maintenance of a large Australian fibre-optic cable network.

Advising a large Australian resources company in Supreme Court proceedings regarding claims for delay and breaches of the Trade Practices legislation arising on a large mining project.

Advising a large Australian resources company in Supreme Court proceedings regarding claims for delay and under Trade Practices legislation in relation to a mining dispute.

Advising a large commercial company on the validity of a tender process conducted by a private company.

Defending a large private company with respect to a witness summons seeking production of confidential documents.

Advising and acting on behalf of Project Co in relation to the operations phase of a major piece of infrastructure, including application and the operation of an abatements regime, claims management, defect rectification works, default and warranty issues.

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