

LOUISE KRUGER

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AREAS OF PRACTICE

Commercial Law
Criminal – Environmental Offences
Equity
Environment and Planning
International
Native Title and Cultural Heritage
Public / Administrative
Resources and Energy

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Laws (University Medallist & First Class Honours) – Queensland University of Technology (2010)
Bachelor of Arts – University of Queensland (2007)

ADMISSIONS

First District of New York, United States, 11 May 2015
New South Wales Supreme Court, Australia, 2 December 2011

CAREER HISTORY

I have a commercial and public law practice, with expertise in mining, energy & resources, environmental law, native title, cultural heritage and human rights. My experience prior to commencing practice at the Bar includes working as a Senior Associate in the environment, planning and communities team of Herbert Smith Freehills (Brisbane), as an Associate in the corporate and environmental department of Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP (New York) and as a Lawyer in the projects group at Ashurst (Sydney). I also completed a 6-month pro bono secondment as a Civil Lawyer at the North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (Katherine).

2018 – 2020	Senior Associate, Herbert Smith Freehills (Brisbane)
2014 – 2018	Associate, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP (New York)
2011 – 2014	Lawyer, Ashurst (Sydney)
Jan 2013 – July 2013	Civil Lawyer, North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency (Katherine)

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CHAMBERS

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EXAMPLE MATTERS

My recent experience as a solicitor includes:

- Advising a global materials solutions company on strategy and approvals for closure of sand mine, including advising on rehabilitation, surrender of mining tenements, land access and native title compensation and drafting of native title agreements.
- Advising a resources and infrastructure company on strategy with respect to development of thermal coal mine and associated rail infrastructure, including advising on land tenure strategy, tenure compliance and tenure management and negotiating tenure conditions with government.
- Advising a coal mining company on stakeholder engagement with respect to expansion of underground thermal coal mine, including future act negotiations with native title party and drafting of compensation agreement.
- Advising a multinational construction, property and infrastructure company on cultural heritage approvals for a large-scale residential development and negotiating a cultural heritage agreement with the Aboriginal party.
- 3-month secondment to a publicly listed multinational mining company to assist in review of climate change strategy.
- Advising corporate clients on environmental aspects of transactions including acquisitions, divestitures, loans, securities offerings, and bankruptcies and restructurings, as well as on environmental liability management, compliance counselling, and dispute resolution.