

MEDIA RELEASE

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Allion Legal continues to develop projects and infrastructure depth

National boutique law firm Allion Legal has appointed Stephen Byrne as Principal in its rapidly expanding Projects practice.

“We are delighted to announce Stephen Byrne is joining Allion Legal as a Principal and will bring significant depth of experience to the firm,” said Mr Phil Lucas, Managing Principal.

“Stephen’s considerable experience aligns closely with our strategic focus on the natural resources and projects sectors and we are thrilled he has chosen to join Allion Legal at this exciting phase of the firm’s development,” said Mr Lucas.

“Stephen’s impressive career has seen him involved in complex energy and infrastructure projects in Australia and Asia advising leading global, national and local corporations in industries including water, waste management, ports and transport, process plants, mining and oil and gas. Projects he has worked on range from petrochemical and refinery projects in Asia to desalination plants and recycled water plants in Australia, tolls roads and ports in Australia and geothermal energy in Indonesia.

“While Stephen’s expertise is predominantly in advising clients at the ‘front end’ of projects (tender, project financing, joint venture establishment, design, construction, operation and maintenance), he is also proficient in project restructuring and in multifaceted dispute resolution.

“Stephen’s appointment follows shortly after Jon Simpson, Principal and Rebecca Cifelli, Senior Associate joined our Projects practice and like them, Stephen is a highly regarded senior lawyer from a major global law firm, with significant experience working on domestic and international transactions,” said Mr Lucas.

“Stephen will be based in the firm’s Sydney office and he will help strengthen Allion Legal’s projects and infrastructure presence,” said Mr Lucas.

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Background on Allion Legal

Allion Legal is a national boutique law firm providing corporate legal services to domestic and international clients.

With offices in Sydney and Perth we focus on the natural resources, projects and agribusiness sectors and advise on complex legal and commercial matters.

For further information on Allion Legal please visit our website at allionlegal.com

Background on new appointee

Stephen Byrne - Principal (Sydney office)

Stephen commenced his legal career in private practice but moved to in house roles in the legal team of BOC Gases, focusing on major process plant, pipeline and long-term gas supply projects where he worked on projects in the Americas, Asia, Australia, the Middle East and the United Kingdom.

After BOC Gases, Stephen gained experience in the civil infrastructure sector as General Counsel for Veolia Water Australia and the Transurban Group respectively.

Most recently Stephen was an Executive Counsel in the international Projects Practice of Herbert Smith Freehills (based in the Sydney office).

Stephen provides advice on the management of the legal and governance aspects of complex infrastructure projects involved in the energy & resources, oil & gas, water, waste and transport infrastructure areas.

Stephen holds Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Laws degrees from the University of Sydney and is admitted to the Supreme Court of New South Wales. He also holds a Graduate Diploma in Applied Corporate Governance from the Governance Institute Australia (formerly Chartered Secretaries Australia).