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Hayley is an experienced business lawyer, director and company secretary whose legal practice focuses on the resources sector and its related industries. She routinely advises on local and cross-border project acquisitions, foreign investment approvals, joint ventures, royalty and off-take agreements, land tenure and other key approvals, as well as corporate governance and compliance matters.

Hayley has over 15 years in commercial legal roles. These include working in private practice in multi-national firms both in Australia and abroad, senior in-house legal and corporate secretarial roles and consulting to small businesses.

In the resources sector, Hayley has substantial experience in both local and foreign-owned resources projects covering commodities including gold, nickel, iron ore, graphite and base metals. Her practice covers the spectrum of a project lifecycle and includes due diligence and project acquisitions, project financing, project feasibility and development, FIRB and other foreign approvals, transfer duty, mining operations, land tenure and access (including matters arising in the Warden's Court), complex joint venture arrangements, mining services, transport and logistics and compliance.

Hayley has a keen interest in corporate governance compliance for ASX, private and not-for-profit entities, and presents routinely on this topic to clients and wider audiences.

Hayley's recent experience includes advising:

- Minjar Gold and its Chinese parent entity on the acquisition of the Southern Cross Gold Project from China Hanking;
- Australian Mines Limited on various farm-in, joint venture and option arrangements including the Sconi and Flemington scandium-cobalt projects;
- Minjar Gold on the acquisition of the Pajingo Gold Mine in Queensland from Evolution Mining;
- Western Areas Limited on the re-negotiation of its expiring material offtake arrangements;
- Sinosteel Midwest Corporation on strategic land tenure matters arising from the closure of its mid-west mines;
- Minjar Gold on the re-capitalisation of Triton Minerals.

Hayley is a member of the Australian Mining and Petroleum Lawyers Association and the Western Australian Mining Club. She is also a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and currently serves on the board of WestCycle Inc.