



Catriona Martin

PRO BONO DIRECTOR, ASIA PACIFIC

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As Asia Pacific Pro Bono Director, Catriona Martin manages DLA Piper's pro bono programme across 13 office locations in 8 countries in Australia, Asia and New Zealand.

RELATED SERVICES

- Corporate

Catriona works closely with UN agencies, national and local non-profit organisations and charities, and universities to develop tailored pro bono programs that address unmet legal need and improve access to justice for marginalised and disadvantaged groups in society. Catriona works in partnership with pro bono clients to design programs that build legal capacity within the Asia Pacific region, in particular, with the Government of Vanuatu. Catriona is a trusted adviser to the non-profit sector with a particular focus on child rights.

EXPERIENCE

Catriona has extensive experience in public interest litigation, legal education, law reform and implementation of community programs. At DLA Piper, Catriona's key pro bono clients include UNICEF, UNAIDS, the Government of Vanuatu and the University of South Pacific.

Catriona has previously acted as a criminal defence advocate for homeless and disadvantaged young people and has been actively involved in law reform relating to juvenile justice, including having sat on the Youth Justice Coalition Committee. Catriona has also worked for an Indigenous organisation in Central Australia, NPY Women's Council, on stakeholder engagement frameworks and tools for evaluating the success of domestic and family violence programs.

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the High Court of Australia
- Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales

Prior Experience

Prior to joining DLA Piper, Catriona was a Senior Associate in the Disputes Group for an international law firm where she worked on significant, complex class actions and regulatory investigations for large resource and medical device companies, and financial institutions. Catriona also worked for a international law firm in international commercial arbitration.

Education

- Bond University, QLD, Bachelor of Laws (First Class Honours), 2008
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Memberships

- NSW Law Society
- Association of Pro Bono Counsel