



### Rachel Brown

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Rachel is a specialist banking and finance lawyer with experience in New Zealand and European markets.

Rachel's expertise include general lending and refinancing with a focus on property, development, acquisition and project finance transactions. Rachel also provides advice on restructuring and insolvency matters. She is very experienced in cross-border transactions.

Rachel is recognised as a rising star by Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2021 and NZ Lawyer 2021.

- Finance
- Restructuring
  
- Financial Services

## Areas of experience

### Property and development finance

Rachel acts for lenders and borrowers on a range of property and development finance transactions, with particular expertise in the hotel sector.

### Corporate finance

Rachel regularly acts for lenders and borrowers on syndicated and bi-lateral financings, trade and receivables financings and hedging arrangements. She has advised on a number of debt restructurings.

### Acquisition and leveraged finance

Rachel acts for lenders, borrowers and private equity sponsors on a variety of acquisition finance transactions (including super-senior, senior and mezzanine structures). She has advised on one of the few New Zealand debt-funded public to private acquisitions by scheme of arrangement.

### Project finance

Rachel has acted for sponsors and borrowers on financing a number of New Zealand's infrastructure projects.

## Professional Qualifications

- Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand, 2008

## Education

- LL.B. (Hon.), University of Canterbury, New Zealand
- Bachelor of Arts, University of Canterbury, New Zealand

## Memberships

Rachel is a member of the Asia Pacific Loan Market Association and the Institute of Finance Professionals New Zealand.

## NEWS

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### **DLA Piper advises leading Australian childcare group on acquisition of Provincial Education Group**

9 November 2021

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### **DLA Piper advises Accel-KKR in Unimarket investment**

13 August 2021

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### **DLA Piper strengthens Banking & Finance offering in New Zealand with new partner hire**

7 April 2021

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