



Emma Kendall

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Emma Kendall advises clients in private corporate and commercial matters. She uses her experience gained in 18 years in funds management and investment banking to inform a particularly business-focussed and practical approach.

She advises on private equity fundraising and investing, co-investing, private market mergers and acquisitions, infrastructure and real estate investing and structured finance.

Emma also has in-house experience of investment management for sovereign wealth funds, superannuation and pension funds. She is very close to the issues facing those clients.

- Corporate
- Finance
- Global Investment Funds
- Life Sciences
- Financial Services

- Advising in relation to consortium arrangements for the \$10bn bid for the NSW Transgrid assets
- Advising on structuring and negotiating the terms of a Delaware Statutory Trust and captive Australian MIT for an Asia-Pacific infrastructure investment mandate for an American pension scheme
- Assisting in relation to the joint venture negotiations and execution of the investment structure for an investment by an Australian sovereign fund in 8 US regional shopping malls
- Reviewing and executing the acquisition of an interest in a Luxembourg vehicle acquiring a Spanish business, as a co-investment by an Australian private equity fund alongside a European private equity manager

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Queensland, 2007
- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales, 2002

Prior Experience

Emma qualified in New Zealand, worked in New Zealand's largest corporate firm, and then for a magic circle firm in London for three years before joining an Investment Bank in structured finance.

She then spent 9 years as Managing Legal Counsel at one of Australia's largest wholesale institutional funds managers, focusing on private market transactions and investment mandate negotiations.

Recognitions

- Emma is listed as a Notable Practitioner by IFLR1000 2021 in Private Equity and M&A

Education

- University of Auckland, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Laws, 1996

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Manulife on its acquisition of 39 Martin Place

29 January 2021

DLA Piper has advised international financial services group Manulife Financial Corporation on its 50/50 joint venture with Investa Commercial Property Fund ("ICPF") to acquire the right to a 100% interest in 39 Martin Place, Sydney from Macquarie Group Limited (ASX: MQG).
