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Jennifer Smith assists in a range of commercial, funds management and financial services matters.

She has assisted significant financial market participants to offer listed and unlisted financial products to the retail and wholesale markets and to implement novel scheme structures.

Jennifer also provides advice to domestic and international clients on privacy, data protection and consumer law.

- Corporate
- Finance

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Education

- University of Canterbury, LLB, 2016
- University of Canterbury, BA (Political Science), 2016

Memberships

New Zealand Law Society

Publications

Select Committee report on Climate-related Disclosures and Other Matters Amendment Bill released

23 August 2021

New momentum on climate risk reporting expectations - what does this mean for the wider financial services industry?

13 April 2021

Regulatory returns to come into effect for MIS managers

13 April 2021

Lessons in climate risk reporting on the path to mandatory disclosure: A marathon, not a sprint

11 December 2020

As countries increase the pace of mandatory climate risk disclosure measures aligned with the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures, the Task Force's most recent status report highlights the extent of the commitment necessary to embed climate risk and opportunity analysis into governance, strategy, risk analysis and performance management – and the need to start early.

MyFiduciary report on KiwiSaver active/passive management

26 August 2020

The FMA has published a report commissioned from MyFiduciary into active and passive investment management styles used by KiwiSaver scheme providers, and their relationship with fees. The report uses a range of metrics to test the activeness of KiwiSaver offerings and compares this against the provider's professed style and the level of fees charged.

New Zealand: COVID-19 relief for regulatory reporting obligations

7 May 2020

The FMA has issued two class exemptions: the Financial Markets Conduct (Financial Reporting and Other Relief – COVID-19) Exemption Notice 2020 and the Financial Advisers (Custodian Assurance Engagement Relief—COVID-19) Exemption Notice 2020. The Exemption Notices give a range of timing extensions to FMC reporting entities, managers of registered schemes and other financial services participants for compliance with reporting obligations. We outline these exemptions below to the extent that they are relevant for registered schemes.

KiwiSaver update

2 APRIL 2020

Changes to KiwiSaver introduced by the Taxation (KiwiSaver, Student Loans and Remedial Matters) Act 2020 became effective 1 April 2020.
