

Jonathan Hitchcock

Special Counsel
Building & Construction

Building and construction is a very real and practical application of the law. The conflicts and clashes can be challenging but bring great satisfaction and rewards.

Committed to fair process, flexibility and rational thinking, Jonathan is a valuable resource and a powerful advocate for clients in the building and construction sector.

Introduction

Jonathan's vast knowledge of Australian and global construction industries has seen him work with everyone from local developers and builders to engineers, architects and multi-national corporations.

The substantial challenges facing the construction industry has led to exceptionally expensive disputes, with high stakes. This requires effective and prudent advice early in the negotiation phase – to set up acceptable terms that help avoid trouble down the track.

Jonathan has applied his vast experience in construction through different forms of contracts and significant construction-based litigation matters. He acts for many of the larger contractors in the industry, sharing with them more than three decades of experience and knowledge.



Expertise

- Real estate disposals and acquisitions
- Property development and strata body corporate sales
- Funds management and securities advice
- Disposals and leasing for both land owners and tenants
- · Commercial, industrial and residential sales
- · Joint ventures and corporate structuring

Experience

Recent transactions of note include:

- · ongoing Supreme Court litigation at Port Hinchinbrook in North Queensland;
- substantial arbitration for South Tweed Shopping Centres;
- · pipeline arbitration in Tasmania;
- BCIPA Adjudications;
- · subcontractors charges litigations;
- refinery case being heard in the London International Court of Arbitration; and
- civil contract review for GPT Metroplex.

Qualifications

- Practicing law since 1989
- Bachelor of Laws, University of Otago, New Zealand

Memberships

· Queensland Law Society

