



Mia Haas

Lawyer
Construction Legal

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Qualifications

Bachelor of Laws (LLB)

Bachelor of Economics
(BEcon)

Professional Legal Studies
Course, College of Law

Memberships

Member of NSW
Law Society

Executive Summary

Mia is an experienced strata and building & construction lawyer who deals with both front end transactions and back end litigation. Her clients range from lot owners and owners corporations to builders and developers in NSW and ACT. Her strata management background has equipped Mia in under-standing the needs of clients and finding practical solutions to their issues.

Career History

2020 – 2021 PW Lawyers
2020 – 2022 Strata Management
2022 – 2024 Kerin Benson Lawyers
2024 – Current Construction Legal

Expertise

Strata Management

Mia previously worked in a boutique strata law firm, providing advice on issues such as the appointment of a compulsory strata manager (NSW) and an administrator (ACT), the duty to repair and maintain common property, breach of by-laws (NSW)/ breach of rules & default rules (ACT), conflicts of interests between Owners/BMCs and Strata Management and/or Building Management, SCM/GM/AGM requirements, minor works, major works, unauthorised works (NSW)/erections and alterations to common property (ACT), fire safety rules, nuisances and exclusive use of common property.

Building & Construction

Mia also has experience in negotiating undertakings for Builders & Developers for the purpose of Project Intervene, and drafting deeds to settle defects disputes. Further experience includes contract terminations for construction works, payment claims, drafting access deeds for cranes and anchor points, as well as advising on the requirement for fire safety schedules and compliance of essential fire safety measures.

Litigation Experience

Mia has extensive litigation experience, having represented:

- multiple Owners Corporations at the ACAT, NCAT, and the ACT and NSW Supreme Courts against reputed builders and developers regarding defects identified at residential apartment buildings, with some having defects worth over \$10million;
- an Owners Corporation at the ACAT regarding the granting of a special privilege to the exclusive use of a car space on common property;
- a lot owner at the NCAT against an Owners Corporation who unreasonably refused the installation of two air-conditioner units;
- an Owners Corporation at the NCAT regarding the compliance of a common property driveway;
- an Owners Corporation at the NCAT against a lot owner who claimed that the Owners failed to disclose defects and as a result unfairly increased levies.