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Background

Mitzi has been practising as a commercial and regulatory lawyer since 1990. A respected advisor to corporate clients, government and public sector agencies, Mitzi was a partner at Minter Ellison for over 13 years before joining Hive Legal. Mitzi is also currently the chair of Justice Connect and has served on their board since 2006.

Qualifications

- LLM (University of Cambridge)
- LLM (Intellectual Property) Monash University
- LLB (Hons) Monash University
- BSc (Chemistry) Monash University

Areas of Speciality

- Advisory
- Commercial contracts
- Projects
- Procurement
- Acquisitions and sales
- Energy sector dispute resolution

Industry Experience

- Energy – Electricity, Gas & Renewable
- Government
- Higher Education
- Telecommunications
- Climate Change

Independent recognition

- Leading individual, Energy & Resources Chambers Global/Asia Pacific 2009-12 and Utilities 2012 -16
- Best Lawyers -Melbourne Energy Lawyer of the Year 2016, Climate Change (2010-16) Energy (2010, 2012-16) Construction and Infrastructure (2013-16)
- EuroMoney Expert Guides 2016: Guide to the World's Leading Energy Lawyers
- Doyle's Guide for Energy & Resources, Melbourne 2015





Representative transactions

- **Alcoa** on the end of the State electricity supply agreements for Point Henry and Portland smelters and closure of the Point Henry smelter.
- **QIC** on foundation contract for its \$1.78 billion acquisition of the Iona Gas Storage facility.
- Ongoing retainer for **Lochard Energy** operational legal requirements.
- **Origin Energy** on PPAs, metering, regulatory issues and electricity dispute resolution processes.
- **Victorian Department of Primary Industries** on:
 - CarbonNet project;
 - ETIS funding program;
 - 2009 Bushfires Royal Commission;
 - merits review of the 2011-2015 Victorian electricity distribution price determinations
- **Infigen Energy** regulatory advice and wind farm connection agreements.
- **AGL** on:
 - Wholesale gas transactions
 - Several renewable energy project acquisitions
 - Retailer and gentrader bids in the 2010 NSW electricity privatisation;
 - Acquisition of the Torrens Island power station;
 - Implementation and transition out of the Clean Energy Act;
 - Regulatory dispute resolution processes in gas and electricity.
- **Aurora Energy** on the Tamar Valley Power Station project, the acquisition of the Alinta energy trading and marketing business, the Victorian hospitals cogeneration projects
- **Jacana Energy** on wholesale electricity acquisition arrangements, power purchase agreements and retail contracts.
- **University of Melbourne** on many governance, regulatory, project and IP/IT matters.
- **Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority** on several major mobile communications projects for the emergency services.
- **Multiple electricity and gas retailers** on customer terms and conditions for mass market and/or commercial and industrial customers and retail regulatory compliance.
- **Epic Energy** on foundation GTAs for the QSN link and its expansions, implementation of the Clean Energy Act, coverage of pipelines and East Coast Gas Inquiry