



Mills Oakley makes senior financial services hire in Sydney

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Leading national law firm Mills Oakley has boosted its Financial Services practice with the hire of **Matthew Farnsworth** from Norton Rose Fulbright in Sydney.

Matthew joins Mills Oakley as a partner and has extensive in funds management and financial services law. He advises leading Australian and international financial services clients across a wide range of transactional and regulatory matters.

Matthew assists clients to establish, offer and operate retail and wholesale investment funds. He advises on Australian financial services licensing, fund governance, product disclosure and funds restructures as well as ongoing regulatory developments in the sector. He is also experienced in advising on a wide range of financial services transactions.

Mills Oakley CEO John Nerurker said that the firm was committed to building its financial services capability in Sydney:

"Sydney is undoubtedly the financial services capital of Australia and with the arrival of Matthew, we are well on our way to establishing an offering which meets the increasingly sophisticated needs of this sector," he said.

Commenting on his own hire, Matthew noted that the firm's culture and its commitment to financial services were major factors in his decision to join Mills Oakley:

"I am excited to be joining Mills Oakley and by the growth opportunities in the Sydney Financial Services practice," he said.

This is Mills Oakley's second senior financial services hire in Sydney this year. In March, the firm hired Special Counsel **Geoff McCarthy**, who joined with decades of deep experience in the regulation of financial services gained from service in senior ASIC roles involving enforcement, policy and law reform.

Matthew will join the firm on August 17.

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