



Mills Oakley expands Sydney property team

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Leading national firm Mills Oakley is expanding its Sydney property team with the hire of partner **Bhavini Sundarjee** from Gilbert + Tobin.

Bhavini has extensive experience in real estate capital transactions, including acquisitions and disposals in the office, industrial and retail sectors, and real estate joint ventures and capital partnerships. Prior to joining G+T, she was a senior legal counsel at a major real estate fund manager, allowing her to consolidate her expertise from the private practice and client perspective and to understand the key drivers for real estate funds. Bhavini has acted for a number of national and international property trusts, fund managers and private equity groups on market leading transactions in Australia.

Commenting on this hire, Mills Oakley CEO John Nerurker observed that Bhavini was highly regarded by those within the institutional real estate sector, including many existing Mills Oakley clients: “Bhavini not only brings well-established client relationships with key property funds – she also brings the opportunity to expand our relationship with existing clients into workstreams which we have not previously explored,” he observed. “We feel fortunate to have made such an excellent hire.”

Bhavini commented that she was looking forward to working with the Mills Oakley property team and particularly Tim L’Orange, whom she had previously worked with at DLA Piper: “I have the highest regard for Tim and the calibre of the broader Mills Oakley property team is well known in the market,” she said. “This move will allow us to leverage the synergies in our existing practices and explore new opportunities in the market. I am delighted to be joining the team.”

This is the third recent partner appointment in the Mills Oakley Sydney property team. Emma De Leon was promoted to the partnership in July while partner Richard Cohen joined the firm from Norton Rose Fulbright last year.

Bhavini commences with Mills Oakley on 2 August.

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