Mills Oakley enhances Perth workplace relations team with dedicated work safety offering

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Leading independent law firm Mills Oakley is expanding its workplace relations capability in Perth with the hire of **Daniel Hill** as Special Counsel in the Workplace Relations, Employment and Safety (WRES) team.

Mr Hill will enhance the Perth WRES offering with his specialist expertise in the Work Health and Safety (WHS) space, accumulated over 24 years in roles in the energy, EPCM, mining, rail, utilities, construction and healthcare sectors. This experience includes roles at BHP and Fluor Australia and Mr Hill was most recently General Manager of one of Australia's largest rail operators.

Mr Hill provides strategic advice on all WHS matters including front-end WHS systems review and design, assisting with regulatory investigations and back end litigation (including provisional improvement notices and prosecution defences) as well as assisting clients with contentious and non-contentious advisory matters. He also advises and represents clients in response to all manner of crisis management events.

Mills Oakley WRES Partner Daniel White said that the arrival of Mr Hill came at a particularly opportune time:

"With the WA version of the harmonised WHS laws due to come into effect in January, it is appropriate that we now have a dedicated senior WHS practitioner to lead the Perth team's expanding safety function at this critical time," he said.

Commenting on his decision to join Mills Oakley, Mr Hill added:

"The Mills Oakley WRES team has an impressive sense of strategic clarity and an unwavering commitment to servicing clients in the WHS space – both of which were important factors in my decision to join the team."

Mr Hill commenced with the firm on 6 October.

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