

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Lavan Legal's latest appointment**

Lavan Legal is pleased to announce the appointment of Cinzia Donald as a special counsel in our Litigation and Dispute Resolution team.

Cinzia is an experienced litigator who has acted on many large Western Australian litigation disputes. Cinzia has managed complex commercial litigation for public and private companies and high-net-worth individuals in superior jurisdictions including the Supreme Court, the Court of Appeal, the Federal Court and the Full Federal Court.

Cinzia's wide-range of experience across areas including property, corporate, commercial, intellectual property, trade practices and general litigation enables her to develop clear case strategy and anticipate how that strategy will play out at each step in the litigation process, even in the most complex disputes.

This appointment marks Cinzia's return to Lavan Legal. Cinzia first joined Lavan Legal's predecessor firm, Phillips Fox, as an articulated clerk in February 2006 (just prior to the firm becoming Lavan Legal in April 2006). Cinzia worked for Lavan Legal for almost five years and was promoted to associate and senior associate before her departure to join Bennett + Co in January 2011. Cinzia was a senior associate at Bennett + Co, she leaves the firm to return to Lavan Legal.

Lavan Legal's managing partner Dean Hely said 'Cinzia is a very talented litigator whose strategic and commercial approach to litigation is highly valued by clients. Cinzia forged many lasting relationships with the staff and clients of our firm during her time here previously and we are delighted to welcome her back.'

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#### **About Lavan Legal**

Lavan Legal is an independent Western Australian law firm. Since its launch on 3 April 2006, Lavan Legal has built a reputation as one of the most innovative legal services firms in Australia. Prior to 2006, the firm had a 120-year history under the names Phillips Fox Perth, Lavan Solomon and Lavan & Walsh. Lavan Legal has 24 partners.

Lavan Legal is a full service firm. We have extensive experience providing legal advice in the areas of corporate and tax, banking and finance, construction, employment and workplace relations, environment, family law, oil and gas, liquor and hospitality, litigation, infrastructure, media and defamation, mining and resources, property and planning, insolvency and reconstruction and tourism and sport.

Lavan Legal's Litigation and Dispute Resolution team is one of the largest in private practice in Western Australia. The team has the expertise, capacity and resources to conduct any type of corporate or commercial litigation, from the simplest to the most complex.

The team's expertise covers all areas from managing matters in the Magistrates Court to successfully undertaking appeals in the High Court of Australia.

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