

Special counsel appointments 2018

Anita Birkinshaw, Renee Stiles, Kerry Beaumont

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We are pleased to announce the appointment of three new special counsel in our Auckland and Wellington offices.

In the Auckland office, **Anita Birkinshaw** specialises in litigation. She advises clients on a varied range of contentious matters, including in relation to intellectual property, regulatory compliance, contractual issues and administrative law.

Anita is highly experienced in resolving disputes through court proceedings, arbitration, mediation and negotiation and works with clients from a wide variety of industry sectors, including manufacturing and retail, professional services, media and aviation.

In the Wellington office, **Renee Stiles** specialises in advising on, drafting, and negotiating large scale and complex ICT and outsourcing contracts for both public sector and private clients. She is also highly experienced in e-commerce, data protection and privacy, intellectual property commercialisation and general corporate and commercial law. In addition she has significant experience advising financial institutions on ICT systems and services, including in relation to the development of financial applications and products.

Kerry Beaumont has joined Buddle Findlay's Wellington office as a special counsel in the financial services team. Kerry is an experienced banking and finance lawyer with a particular focus on financial regulation (including anti-money laundering laws), debt capital markets, fintech and the use and regulation of derivatives. Prior to joining Buddle Findlay, Kerry worked in the financial services team at another major New Zealand law firm.

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