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Caroline is an experienced real estate lawyer, specialising in commercial real estate transactions, and real estate issues within corporate mergers and acquisition transactions. She advises clients on a broad range of real estate related matters, from acquisitions and disposals to commercial, retail and industrial leasing and general property advisory work. Caroline has been involved with the real estate aspects of many mergers and acquisitions and initial public offerings.

Caroline has a thorough understanding of her clients' drivers and combines this with her broad expertise to provide commercially focused advice and results for her clients. She understands the importance of balancing commercial imperatives with legal issues. Caroline is responsive and service driven.

Caroline joined Clarendon Lawyers as an Associate Director in May 2018. Before joining Clarendons, Caroline was a senior associate in the real estate team at Clayton Utz. Her experience includes secondments with a corporate advisory firm, and State and Commonwealth statutory bodies. Caroline was admitted to practice in 2006.

Caroline's recent experience in commercial and real estate matters includes acting for:

- Origin Energy in relation to its corporate office leases throughout Australia, its LPG terminal leases in NSW and Tasmania, and its wind farm projects (including preparing and negotiating landholder access arrangements);
- BP in relation to agreements for lease and lease for the development of new service station sites;
- PPB Advisory (the court appointed receivers of the ABC2 Group Pty Ltd) in relation to the assignment of 240 leases of childcare centres throughout Australia following the collapse of ABC Learning Centres in 2008;
- a Victorian university in relation to its leasing matters, including in its capacities as landlord (retail and non-retail) and as tenant, and in relation to its acquisition and disposal of campus land;
- Mitsubishi Estate Asia in relation to its investment in the East Tower of LendLease's Melbourne Quarter, Docklands project;
- Linking Melbourne Authority in relation to the EastWest Link project, including the acquisition of 175 apartments in the EVO complex;
- Cotton On Group in relation to its acquisition of Supre, specifically in relation to the store and office leases;
- Ridley Corporation Ltd to conduct due diligence and advise on the sale of its Cheetham Salt business;
- Godfrey Group Limited to advise on the real estate portfolio aspects for its initial public offering;
- Huon Aquaculture Group Limited to conduct due diligence and advice on the real estate aspects for its initial public offering;
- nbn co in relation to its leases for the fixed wireless portfolio of the nbn;
- Commonwealth of Australia, Department of Finance and Administration in relation to its portfolio of electoral office leases;
- a Victorian healthcare provider in relation to a land swap arrangement for expansion purposes, and preparation proforma leasing documents for leasing arrangements with its consultants;
- a large retail provider of sportswear in relation to its leases throughout Australia;
- various bulk liquid and gas storage operators in relation to leasing arrangements for facilities in Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia ports; and
- Caroline has a Bachelor of Science and Laws (Honours) from Monash