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Alumni: Better Together

We recently had a great night in Melbourne catching up with our alumni at my favourite rooftop, Bombabar. It was fabulous to see so many old friends and hear their news. We value all of the people who have contributed to our success over the years. 'In-person' alumni events are a great way for us to reconnect, particularly after missing out over the past two years. Here are some pics from the [Melbourne event](#). I am sure you will recognise quite a few familiar faces! We're looking forward to seeing our Sydney alumni at an event on 28 April. Look out for your invitation – I'd love to see you there.

Many of us are enjoying spending more time in our offices connecting with colleagues as well as the chance to continue working more flexibly in a way that suits our work and personal lives. I'm sure our workplace of the future will combine the best of how we used to work with all of the great things we have learnt during the pandemic. We remain focused on supporting our people, clients and communities, no matter what challenges lie ahead.

I wish you and your families a safe and relaxing Easter.



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Where are they now?

We spoke with Jaella Parker (nee Morrissey) and Peter Ryan, who both moved into in-house roles after leaving Hall & Wilcox. Jaella and Peter shared their career stories and some memorable highlights from their Hall & Wilcox days.

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Recent anniversaries

We talk to partner [Martin Ross](#) and lawyer Jemima Whiteman about their recent anniversaries at the firm.

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New partners and teams

Our national expansion has continued. Over the past few months, we have welcomed leading NSW government property partner [Jennifer Degotardi](#) and team, Sydney banking expert [Peter Jones](#), and boosted our cyber practice with the appointment of partner [Eden Winokur](#).

We also announced 13 new internal appointments, effective 1 January 2022. [Click here](#) if you missed seeing who was promoted. As Managing Partner Tony Macvane said, 'We have a great cohort of people who have a passion for serving our clients and providing a great experience.'

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Deals snapshot

Our cross-practice teams have achieved some great results for clients lately. Our corporate, tax, property, employment, insurance and FIRB teams [advised Putzmeister Group](#) on its acquisition of 100% of the share capital of Australian-based CPE Machinery Pty Ltd. We [advised Weston Williamson + Partners](#) on the Australian aspects of the company's sale to major consulting and engineering group Egis, with the



support from our corporate, employment, privacy and property teams.

Our Financial Services team [advised KM Property Funds](#) on the restructure and retail offering of its Community and Social Services Property Fund. Our corporate and financial services teams [advised Upstreet](#) on the establishment, structuring and promotion of a share rewards program for shoppers offered via a registered scheme known as the Upstreet Fund.

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Smarter Law updates: life as a legal operations graduate

We are one of Australia's first law firms to introduce a formal legal operations graduate program. Our latest graduate, Bella Beischer, explains what she enjoys about the role and the contribution she makes to the firm's Smarter Law approach.

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The Peter Atkinson Prize

The Peter Atkinson Prize is awarded annually to the person at Hall & Wilcox who best demonstrates qualities and attributes consistent with Peter, who sadly passed away in early 2018.

The 2021 Peter Atkinson Prize winner was employment lawyer [Nhu-Thuy Dinh](#). Nhu-Thuy is a fantastic lawyer, colleague and friend to many at Hall & Wilcox. Like Peter always did, she has a genuine interest in our people, not just in her team, but across the firm. Nhu-Thuy also has a lovely rapport with clients and builds their trust quickly. Congratulations Nhu-Thuy!





Congratulations to our newest lawyers

Over the last few months, our 2021 cohort of graduate lawyers were admitted as lawyers. Such an exciting time for any lawyer! Well done to the 21 new lawyers across almost all offices at the firm.

In February, we also welcomed 48 graduate lawyers for 2022.

Quick bites

- Hall & Wilcox was recognised again as an Employer of Choice for Gender Equality by the Workplace Gender Equality Agency.
- Welcome back lawyer Angelica Huang to our Banking & Finance team!

Alumni moves...

- Simone Aloj, former Hall & Wilcox employment lawyer, joining NAB as a Senior Legal Counsel
- Vikas Baweja, former Hall & Wilcox solutions developer, joining global digital company Publicis Sapient as a Technology Manager
- Chris Davis, former Hall & Wilcox communications advisor, joining Bloomberg as Head of Communications across APAC
- Anthony Langford, former Hall & Wilcox litigation lawyer, joining Specialized Bicycle Components as a Finance Manager across Australia & New Zealand
- Clive Robert, former Hall & Wilcox banking lawyer, joining Bank of Queensland as a Legal Counsel
- Roopa Varadharajan, former Hall & Wilcox property lawyer, joining the NSW Department of Planning & Environment as the Principal Legal Officer
- Anne Wong, former Hall & Wilcox lawyer, joining BHP as a Legal Transformation specialist

Congratulations to...

- William Keating, former Hall & Wilcox commercial lawyer, now at QIC, named a finalist for Infrastructure, Utilities & Energy Lawyer of the Year at the Corporate Counsel Awards.
- Hall & Wilcox lawyers [Alicia Bray](#), Sarah Khan and [Jessica Luker](#) were all listed in *Australasian Lawyer's* Rising Stars 2022.
- Hall & Wilcox Managing Partner [Tony Macvean](#), named a finalist for Law Firm Leader of the Year at the Australasian Law Awards. The firm is also a finalist for Law Firm of the Year, Excellence in Employee Health & Wellbeing and Diversity Initiative of the Year.

If you're looking for a new opportunity in 2022, or know someone who is, [check out our latest opportunities](#).

Do you have any quick bites to share? Email us at alumni@hallandwilcox.com.au

Sydney alumni event details

Please join us for drinks with past and present colleagues.

Date Thursday 28 April 2022
Time 5.30pm – 8.00pm
Venue Sydney office, Level 18, [347 Kent Street](#)

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