Banking & Finance partner Nicola Schofield joins Dentons' Melbourne office



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Melbourne — Dentons has expanded its Banking & Finance offering, with the addition of Partner, **Nicola Schofield** to its Melbourne office.

Nicola is a banking and finance lawyer with over 14 years' experience in property and development finance, residential and commercial development, public private partnerships (PPP), project finance, and corporate finance on both the lender and borrower side.

She has extensive experience in advising local and international financiers, developers, and funds on residential, hotel, industrial and commercial developments, and acquisitions, and has acted for a range of sponsors on PPP transactions including the Cross River Rail PPP in QLD, and Renewable Energy Zone project in NSW. She has also advised on turnaround and restructuring aspects in relation to dis-tressed debt and restructuring lending and security.

Nicola works with clients in a wide range of industries including banking, real estate, construction, transportation and infrastructure, and energy. Nicola has also practised in New Zealand and London, where she spent four years working in-house at an investment bank.

"The addition of Nicola Schofield to our Banking & Finance team bolsters our financial institutions practice in Melbourne and adds depth of experience to our market-leading national practice. Nicole's cross-border experience will also be of immense value to our clients. It's a pleasure to welcome her to Dentons." said Dentons Australia Region Chair and Australasia CEO, Doug Stipanicev.

Commenting on her appointment, Ms. Schofield said, "I look forward to joining Dentons and working alongside a well-respected team with a breath of expertise as well as contributing to the growth of the Melbourne office. Being part of the World's largest global law firm will undoubtedly offer an opportunity to add to the high value financial services work for clients."

Nicola is the third partner to join Dentons in 2024, as it continues to grow its presence in Australia. In January, Michael Park joined Dentons' Intellectual Property & Technology practice and Edmund Burke joined the Dentons' Employment & Safety practice.

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