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Whiting, Janet

Occupation Lawyer, Solicitor

Summary

Janet is one of the pre-eminent commercial litigators in Australia and is head of Gilbert + Tobin's Litigation practice in Melbourne. Janet is highly regarded for her focus on providing strategic advice, detailed analysis and commercial solutions and has a reputation for excellence amongst clients and peers.

Throughout her career Janet has always held leading roles in both the arts and tourism sectors. In December 2015, Janet was appointed President of the Council of Trustees of the National Gallery of Victoria, the first woman to hold the position in the Gallery's 154 year history. Janet sits on a number of other boards and is Deputy Chair of Victorian Major Events, Director of National Australia Day Council, Director of the Bell Shakespeare Company and Council Member of Newman College, University of Melbourne and Patron of the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Foundation.

Janet was made a Member of the Order of Australia in 2015 for her "significant service to the community through the arts, health and major events sectors and as a legal professional". Janet was named one of Australia's 10 Most Influential Women in the Westpac and Australian Financial Review 100 Women of Influence Awards in 2015 and won the category for Culture. Janet was also named one of Australia's 100 Most Influential Women in the Westpac Banking Corporation and Australian Financial Review 100 Women of Influence Awards in 2012 in the category of Boards and Management.

Events

2015 - 2015
Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

Published resources

Site Exhibition
Australian Women Lawyers as Active Citizens, Trailblazing Women Lawyers Project Team, 2016, http://www.womenaustralia.info/lawyers

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