



# Environmental Defenders Office

## Senior and Junior Commercial Disputes Lawyers

### Seniority:

- For the more senior role we will consider candidates with senior associate or equivalent experience.
- For the junior role we will consider candidates with 3 years + POA experience.

**Salary:** Commensurate with experience

**Location:** Open to candidates Australia wide

### The opportunity:

The Environmental Defenders Office has an opportunity for a junior and a senior level commercial disputes lawyer. This is an opportunity to lead work on challenging, career-defining legal cases and make a difference on the greatest issue of our time - the global climate crisis.

### We are:

We are a national public interest environmental law organisation, the largest in Australia Pacific. Over our 35-year history we've developed a formidable track record of empowering communities and delivering effective protection of the environment through legal services.

With the 8 Environmental Defenders Offices around Australia merging in late 2019, we are now entering a period of substantial growth necessary to meet the growing demands of the public for public interest legal services to address environmental and public health issues such as climate change.

We can see a future in which Australia's environmental laws protect our communities from pollution, prevent extinction and restore our degraded landscapes. We see a future where Australia's laws protect future generations, providing a framework for a safe and habitable climate.

We play a crucial role in achieving that vision using legal expertise to empower communities and protect our environment. Through legal advocacy, litigation and community education, we are an organisation driven by environmental justice for people and passion for nature.

We provide the people of Australia with the assistance they need to defend people, place and culture. We offer a range of legal services, including:

- A national skilled team of lawyers able to assist clients with preliminary advice through to court cases and other representation, on a wide range of subject matter areas.



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- A network of scientists and other professionals providing input on environmental law issues.
- Community educators skilled in providing the resources needed to allow Australians to understand the law and participate in legal processes to protect the environment.

We are committed to providing a workplace based on diversity, inclusion and flexibility. We are happy to discuss how we might structure this role flexibly to suit you.

## **Candidate profile:**

We're looking for a strategic thinker, someone who can demonstrate an ability to think outside the box and deliver effective results for clients. You will need to be enthusiastic, flexible and have the maturity to work autonomously on major pieces of litigation. We're looking to hire a strong, passionate litigator looking to make their mark on the issues of our time.

At a personal level you will be comfortable working with our distributed team across Australia, regardless of where you may be based.

## **Your experience/background:**

- A lawyer with several years of litigation and advisory experience.
- A solid understanding of corporate governance, corporate advisory and the *Corporations Act*.
- An innovator excited about the possibility for commercial law work to benefit clients seeking to use the law to protect the environment.
- Confident handling complex litigation.
- Experience in a top-tier firm or corporate regulators would be highly regarded.
- An understanding of the TFCD framework would be viewed favourably.
- Seeking to use your talents to address the global climate crisis.

## **How to Apply:**

Send a brief Expression of Interest and CV to Georgie Murch, Executive Assistant, at [georgie.murch@edo.org.au](mailto:georgie.murch@edo.org.au) with "Commercial Disputes Lawyer" in the subject line.

**Deadline:** Rolling.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders encouraged to apply