



## NEW SOUTH WALES BAR ASSOCIATION®

### ADVERTISEMENT

### Director, Projects and Practice Development

#### The Role of the New South Wales Bar Association

The New South Wales Bar Association is the peak body representing barristers in NSW. The Bar Association advocates for members and is responsible for the maintenance of standards within the Bar; manages admission to the Bar, continuing professional development and, under delegated authority, investigates conduct matters involving complaints against barristers. The Bar Association also takes a leading role in promoting the rule of law and the proper administration of justice. In that role the Bar Association comments on a range of areas of law reform and liaises with the judiciary, government, the media and other stakeholders.

The Bar Association has a strategic role in the marketing of the Bar and the practice development of our members both nationally and internationally. The Strategic Plan incorporates the following initiatives:

*Internationalisation of the law:* Increasingly disputes and litigation are not limited to NSW – either geographically or the parties involved. The New South Wales Bar must respond to the increasing globalisation of litigation and the provision of legal services. The Bar Association seeks to promote the New South Wales Bar as a provider of legal services beyond NSW, focusing initially on Australia/NZ and South East Asia.

*Marketing and promoting the work of barristers:* To ensure Bar Association members remain engaged in the marketplace and consumers of legal services perceive the Bar as a viable and cost effective option – especially in the earlier stages of litigation.

#### The Role

This is a 2-year role reporting to the Executive Director, to develop and implement a plan for enhancing practice opportunities for the NSW Bar, both in Australia and overseas, in accordance with the Bar Association's Constitution and Strategic Plan. In doing so, the Director will consult with the Bar Council, Association Committees, including the Association's Practice Development Committee, chambers, members and other stakeholders, as well as the leadership team in the Association. A key aspect of this role will be implementing designated projects to build brand awareness of the NSW Bar and to promote the representational role of the Bar Association.

## **Skills**

The Director must have:

- Appropriate qualifications;
- Demonstrated ability in business development preferably in legal or other professional services, including overseas;
- An ability to both think strategically and operationally to deliver outcomes;
- Strong advocacy skills and a demonstrated ability to influence;
- Evidence of strategic leadership, problem solving, analysis and evaluation skills;
- Experience and skill in developing relationships and managing internal and external stakeholders.
- The ability to work independently and in a team environment;
- An ability to prioritise and coordinate a complex role;
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.

Please send your CV with a covering letter addressing the essential skills and your suitability for the role to [kkemp@nswbar.asn.au](mailto:kkemp@nswbar.asn.au).

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people are encouraged to apply.

**Applications close on Sunday 8 December 2019.**