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About Michelle Smyth

Michelle Smyth is the Region General Counsel for EY Oceania. Her team service the legal needs of the EY firms in Australia, New Zealand, Fiji and Papua New Guinea, which equates to around 10,000 partners and staff.

Michelle leads a team of lawyers across three practice groups: Litigation (including litigation, employment and regulatory investigations); Contracts (including government and private sector contracts); Transactions (including M&A, banking and finance, privacy and data security as well as general regulatory advice such as sanctions and auditor independence).

Michelle has been at EY since March 2018. Prior to this, Michelle held general counsel roles at AMP, as General Counsel for Financial Services, and prior to that as General Counsel of the Group Functions. Michelle also has several years as a Senior Legal Counsel at AMP, specialising in contracts, technology and intellectual property.

Whilst Michelle loves being an in house lawyer, Michelle started her legal career in private practice at K&L Gates in the corporate and technology team. Michelle is a proud member of the Law Society of NSW, and also sits on the Society's In House Corporate Lawyers Committee. Outside of work, Michelle enjoys hanging out with her university student kids eating Japanese food, running and kayaking with her partner on Sydney Harbour.