



Tait & Co Business Lawyers is a practical, down-to-earth commercial law firm that can help you achieve your goals.



Welcome to the July 2018 edition of the Tait & Co newsletter.

A newsletter for clients, friends of the practice and special interest groups.

In this edition we have some topical articles written in a helpful, no-nonsense style with plenty of practical suggestions together with an article about the issues associated with buying or selling contaminated land.

We hope you enjoy the articles.

If you require further information on any of the articles please [contact us](#) or visit our website [www.taitlegal.com.au](http://www.taitlegal.com.au)

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## Employees, contractors and 'shams'



Business operators need to be cautious when 'hiring' labour to ensure that they are not in breach of provisions of the Fair Work Act prohibiting a person

## Dying intestate - the perils of not making a Will



Having a Will gives you a voice when you die. Your testamentary wishes can be made known and your beneficiaries clearly identified. Without a Will, the

## How an error with an ABN cost \$23 million



The importance of registering your security interest on the Personal Properties Security Register is well known, however to create an enforceable

from misrepresenting  
'employment' as  
'independent contracting'.  
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finalisation of your estate  
could be left to somebody  
you did not want or choose.  
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security interest all  
registration formalities must  
also be correct.  
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## Buyer beware – buying or selling contaminated land



### Toxic

We have recently acted for a client in the acquisition of a commercial property which had contamination issues associated with it.

There are stringent legal requirements that need to be met before a contaminated property can be bought or sold, and we were able to assist our client to navigate a path through these issues to arrive at an optimal commercial outcome.

We do not normally do “cottage” conveyancing, other than for existing clients, but we are able to assist with more complex property transactions, typically where there are legal issues requiring the knowledge, skill and judgment of an experienced lawyer.

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This newsletter is intended to provide general information.  
You should obtain professional advice before you undertake any course of action.

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