



**MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **VTA appoints Rigby Cooke Lawyers to provide IR advisory member service**

The Victorian Transport Association has appointed Rigby Cooke Lawyers to provide a workplace and industrial relations advisory service to members.

Rigby Cooke is a full-service law firm providing commercial expertise and industry knowledge to private and public sector clients across Australia.

Rigby Cooke's Workplace Relations team will provide a consultation service whereby VTA members can receive timely advice and support across all aspects of workplace and industrial relations including, but not limited to, Awards and Enterprise Bargaining Agreements, leave entitlements, termination and redundancy, and compliance with the Fair Work Act / National Employment Standards.

Peter Anderson, Chief Executive Officer of the VTA, said:

"Our appointment of Rigby Cooke Lawyers supercharges our workplace and industrial relations service, and provides a seamless transition to a new advisory service model. VTA members have come to expect outstanding and timely IR advice and under this new arrangement they will have access to some of Australia's leading industrial law practitioners".

Simone Caylock, Partner in Rigby Cooke's Workplace Relations team and Transport & Logistics group said:

"It's a great privilege to be entrusted with this opportunity by the VTA and to serve its members. Our Workplace Relations team has expertise across all aspects of workplace relations and extensive experience in the transport and logistics industry. Businesses know they can trust us to give practical advice in a timely manner. We look forward to continuing our long-standing relationship with the VTA and working more closely with its members".

The new arrangement follows the retirement of VTA's highly-regarded and experienced Industrial Advisor Paul Ryan who served the VTA and its members for over 25 years.

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