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## AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE LEGAL COUNSEL - POSITION DESCRIPTION

### About the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC)

Australia enjoys an outstanding Olympic history. The heroic achievements of our athletes at every Olympic Games since 1896 are a source of pride for all Australians. The Australian Olympic Team is the embodiment of our nations hopes, dreams and desires and their performances are the pinnacle of the benefits of sporting participation.

The Australian Olympic movement promotes, raises awareness of and encourages participation in sport for benefits of health, longevity, fitness, skill, achievement, social interaction, well-being and other benefits of exercise for all individuals in Australia. As proud custodians of the Olympic Movement in Australia the Australian Olympic Committee is committed to promoting the principles of Olympism, and the Olympic ideals and values to all, through sport.

The AOC is committed to Australia's athletes and encourages the development of high performance sport through athlete support and funding initiatives. Its role also extends to spreading the Olympic spirit and ideals throughout the wider community, even in the years between Olympic Games. It is the AOC responsibility to select, send and fund Australian Teams to the Olympic Summer and Winter Games.

### The AOC:

- is recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the National Olympic Committee for Australia;
- has exclusive authority for Australia's representation at the Olympic Games, Olympic Winter Games, Youth Olympic Games and the Winter Youth Olympic Games;
- is a not for profit organisation, independent of Government and Government funding, other than contributions by State Governments to the Olympic Team Appeal;
- provides program and funding support to its member NFs and their athletes to assist with the preparation for Olympic and other international competitions. State Olympic Councils represent the AOC in every State and the ACT.
- derives its revenue from income distributions from the Australian Olympic Foundation (AOF), grants from the IOC, the licensing and sponsorship activities of the AOC and fundraising by the AOC, State Olympic Councils (SOCs) and their Corporate Appeal Committees.

## The Role

*Due to Maternity Leave commencing June 2018 the AOC seek a Legal Counsel on a fixed term 16 month contract to September 2019.*

The Legal Counsel will assume responsibility for the AOC's legal matters, in addition to providing support and advice to the President, the Chief Executive Officer and other members of the Senior Management Team and assume responsibility for liaison with the AOC's external legal advisers.

## Working Relationships

The Legal Counsel:

- reports to the CFO;
- is part of the Corporate Services department;
- supports the President, CEO and individual members of the Senior Management Team;

This is a full-time maternity cover contract. Most work will be conducted from the AOC's Sydney Head office, but travel may be required as necessary for the performance of your duties.

## Major Responsibilities

Advising the business across a wide spectrum of legal and governance issues including:

- sponsorship and licensing program (including drafting and advising on agreements);
- drafting of Team Membership Agreements;
- management of the AOC's intellectual property portfolio;
- management of the AOC's brand protection and anti-ambush program;
- drafting of National Federation nomination criteria and management of appeals processes;
- management of anti-doping and other integrity matters;
- dispute related matters;
- governance issues; and
- employment and data protection issues.

## Qualifications & Experience

- Bachelor of Laws
- Excellent drafting skills
- Strong organisational, communication and computer skills
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team
- Previous experience with sports law preferable

## The Process

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