



Belinda Moharich named the *Best Lawyers*' 2014 Planning and Environmental Law 'Lawyer of the Year' for WA

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Perth lawyer Belinda Moharich has been selected as *Best Lawyers in Australia 2014* Planning and Environmental Lawyer of the Year in Western Australia. The recognition is the result of a selection process voted on by her peers and is given to just one lawyer in each Australian jurisdiction each year.

In addition, Ms Moharich has also been included on the *Best Lawyers in Australia 2014* list for her practice in Planning and Environmental Law.

Lawyers on the Best Lawyers in Australia list are divided by geographic region and practice areas. They are reviewed by their peers on the basis of professional expertise, and undergo an authentication process to make sure they are in current practice and in good standing with their local legal practice board.

Ms Moharich, who founded the boutique Perth legal firm Moharich & More, said she was pleased to be recognized on the list, given the high number of lawyers from national and international firms represented.

"Moharich & More has had the privilege of working on interesting, legally complex and sometimes high profile matters for excellent clients," she said. "Together with top rate consultants, we have worked in the areas of planning, architecture, environmental science, property valuation and retail economics, to name a few."

About Belinda Moharich

Belinda Moharich practices in the areas of planning and environment law. She provides advice to clients regarding their subdivision and building projects, from pre-acquisition due diligence, through the subdivision and development approval process, and to representing clients at the State Administrative Tribunal.

As well as having worked in private law firms, Belinda has extensive experience working for the State Government, including as a lawyer in-house for the Ministry for Planning (now Department of Planning), where she was instructing officer on a number of pieces of State planning legislation.

She was appointed as the Principal Registrar and a senior member of the Town Planning Appeal Tribunal in 2003, and as a member of the State Administrative Tribunal in January 2005, before returning to private practice in July 2005.

Belinda holds a Bachelor of Laws and a Bachelor of Arts (Planning) from the University of Queensland, and is a qualified town planner. She is also an accredited mediator with LEADR and a member of the Law Society of Western Australia and the Planning Institute of Australia.

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The full list appears in *Australian Financial Review* online, or at www.bestlawyers.com/australia.