

ABOUT US

Experienced valued pragmatic advice

TODD & WALKER Law is one of the lower South Island's leading all service law firms founded by Graeme Todd and Michael Walker. The firm's experienced legal team of Lawyers and Legal Executives have many close connections to Southland and Otago and the firm's reputation extends throughout New Zealand.

According to a recent article in the Australasian legal sector publication LawFuel, we are recognised as being one of New Zealand's six leading emerging legal firms and are... "a boutique law firm with a small firm culture capable of tackling big law jobs".

Known for providing independent, valued, cost effective and pragmatic legal advice to its local, national and international clients TODD & WALKER Law constantly strives to provide high levels of service and prompt communication with clients. We comprise of a highly-experienced team of legal staff. We work with a reputable network of specialists when matters require a particular expertise.



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HOW WE HELP YOU

For every problem, a solution

Agribusiness continues to be the leading contributor to our country's economy. We have a team of lawyers who know agribusiness and over the years we have formed strong ties within the Otago and Southland rural communities. We strive to provide our clients with efficient and effective services to allow them to focus on running their farm or business.

We act for a broad range of local and international clients across the full spectrum of farming and throughout the supply chain, including family-owned farms, corporate investors, irrigation companies, agribusiness suppliers, farmworkers and rural families.

The rural sector is facing increasing regulations in respect of compliance, health and safety, employment, environmental, ownership issues, and succession. We can help you navigate these issues and any other legal queries you may have in regard to running your farm.

We can help you negotiate the often tricky areas of ownership structures and rural property, to ensure the best outcomes for your business and family for today and the future.

Our dedicated conveyancing and personal client team are well resourced to assist you with buying, selling (or other land transactions) and with any other relationship, trust or estate matters. We provide a tailored approach and endeavour to make sure processes are as simple as possible.

We can assist with advice on all of your personal and commercial legal needs.

Our specialist advice to the rural sector includes:

- Land transactions including sales, purchases, leases, subdivisions, easements and covenants;
- Strategies for succession planning – helping clients face the challenges of future family and ownership needs;
- Advice and implementation of governance and ownership structures including partnerships, companies, sole traders and joint ventures;
- Shareholders' agreements and related constitution documents;
- Expertise in water issues, specialising in advice on irrigation and water management;
- All aspects of contract law whether advising, drafting or enforcing;
- Advice on the most appropriate structures for the ownership of assets, machinery or livestock and operation of businesses;
- Funding and security arrangements between shareholders and external lenders;
- Foreign ownership and Overseas Investment Office approvals and issues;
- Resource management compliance, water rights and consents and environmental advice;
- Relationship property issues, farm divorces and separations - dealing sensitively with relationship breakups and the significant risks these can bring;
- Employment advice, personal grievance resolution, employment of migrant farm workers, immigration matters;
- Health and safety.

OUR RURAL TEAM

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