



## MINING

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**Partners**

**/500+**

**Lawyers**

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**Practice Areas**

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## RECOGNITION



Diversified, globally relevant and strongly regulated at the federal, state and municipal levels: these are the factors that define the mining sector in Brazil. Aware of this challenging scenario, TozziniFreire's Mining team has played an active role in advising companies in the segment and is qualified to deal with the increasingly complex, structured and sophisticated operations of the field.

Our broad experience in legal procedures involving mineral exploration in Brazil, including regulatory issues, allows us to anticipate possible legal obstacles, saving clients both time and money.

We advise national and international large mining groups, medium and small companies and investment groups in the mineral sector.

## Services

- Mining audit in M&A and project financing operations;
- Comprehensive legal advice on the acquisition, structuring and follow-up of research, development and mining projects;
- Negotiation and preparation of mining contracts, such as assignment of rights, lease of deposits, royalties, relating to ownership and use of the land to be explored, researched or drafted, among others;
- Assistance in the constitution of easements;
- Mining litigation, advising compliance with requirements of the administrative authority;
- Elaboration of opinions and legal opinions in Mining Law.

## Our Practice

We are prepared to assist companies in legal audits in the areas of M&A, asset sales, financing agreements and royalties. The results of these audits are presented as objective and conclusive reports tailored to the client, allowing immediate identification, assessment, understanding and quantification of contingencies and, consequently, easy consideration of their materiality in relation to the characteristics of the operation .

We are also prepared to offer immediate support in crisis management, with the rapid structuring of a multidisciplinary team to respond to the many demands that may arise, considering environmental, regulatory and tax aspects, among others.

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## EXPERIENCE

### SENTIENT GROUP

Assistance to the Sentient Group investment fund in the acquisition of Brasil Manganês Corporation, former Rio Madeira Mining, a manganese exploration project in the state of Rondônia.

### ABPM (BRAZILIAN ASSOCIATION OF MINERAL RESEARCH COMPANIES)

Assistance to ABPM in the presentation of several proposals for amendment to Bill No. 5,807 / 2013 (New Regulatory Framework for Mining).

### HOLCIM

Assistance in all matters related to the global merger with Lafarge, including legal due diligence and the adoption of measures necessary to enable Holcim to divest.

### MERIDIAN MINERAÇÃO JABURI S.A.

Assistance to Meridian Mineração Jaburi S.A., previously known as Brasil Manganês Corporation, in the acquisition of mineral rights of Eletroligas for manganese exploration in Rondônia.

### CBRR (BRAZILIAN COMMISSION OF RESOURCES AND RESERVES)

Assistance in the creation of the CBRR, whose objective is the implementation of international standards recognized by the market for resource reporting and mineral reserves, which recognizes Brazil as a member of CRIRSCO (Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards).

### VOTORANTIM CIMENTOS

Assistance to Votorantim Cimentos in the acquisition of Cimento Vencemos do Amazonas from Cemex Latam Holdings.

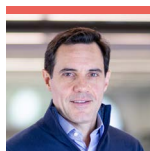
### KBM (KINROSS BRASIL MINERAÇÃO)

Assistance to KBM (Kinross Brasil Mineração) in the preparation and negotiation of a letter of guarantee governed by Brazilian law, executed by KBM in favor of the administrative agent of syndicate of Canadian banks, by which KBM has agreed to guarantee all of Kinross Gold's obligations under a USD 1 billion Credit Agreement entered into with the syndicate of Canadian banks.

## CLIENTS

- Assistance to several clients in claims related to alleged illegal mining activity, including drafting of opinions, participation in administrative and judicial litigation, and development of strategies to reduce the risks involved.
- Advisory to a large Chinese sovereign fund in a general due diligence procedure for the identification of risks in a financial agreement related to royalties (NSR) with a large Brazilian mining company.
- Tax advice to several multinational mining companies, both in the advisory and in the tax litigation spheres.
- Audit to identify risks related to mining rights for the exploitation of niobium and phosphate belonging to a large global mining company.
- Advice on the regulatory aspects of a drop down operation and the transfer of a mineral water production unit to third parties.

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