



## **Your Lawyers Turner Riddell Hervey Bay Recognised as The Best Estate Planning Lawyer by Quality Business Awards**

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Your Lawyers Turner Riddell Hervey Bay has been named the top-rated estate planning lawyer in the region by the Quality Business Awards, an online platform that reviews businesses across Australia each year. The recognition covers the firm's work in wills and estates, an area of law that touches nearly every family at some point. The award was issued as part of the platform's 2026 evaluation cycle, which assesses businesses across more than 50 industries nationwide. It places the firm amongst a small number of legal practices to meet the required standard this year.

According to the Quality Business Awards, fewer than one percent of registered Australian businesses reach the programme's quality threshold of 95 percent or higher. The platform states that it uses their internal point scoring system and businesses must excel across multiple criteria to earn the award. Their criteria include outstanding customer reviews, consistent responsiveness, track record of excellence and community and sustainability.

Estate planning work covers a broad range of decisions beyond the drafting of a single document. It typically involves making crucial decisions about the distribution of assets, the care of dependents, the management of estate, powers of attorney and advance health directive. Some of these decisions are straightforward, such as naming an executor. Others take more thought. These are matters that often carry weight well beyond the paperwork itself.

Choosing to put an estate plan in place is a decision many people delay, often for years, usually because they aren't sure where to start or what to prepare beforehand. Basic groundwork, such as a list of assets, a note of who should be responsible for children if needed, and a sense of how someone would like their affairs handled, can make an initial meeting more straightforward.

Circumstances also change over time, which is why an estate plan put together years ago may no longer reflect a person's current situation. A change in marital status, the birth of a grandchild, a new property, or a shift in where someone lives can all affect how a plan should be structured. Plans drafted during an earlier stage of life may also list people as guardians or executors who are no longer the right choice, due to distance, a change in relationship, or a change in their own circumstances. Reviewing an existing plan periodically, rather than treating it as a task completed once and not revisited, helps ensure it still matches what a person actually wants to happen.

The Quality Business Awards has evaluated more than 10,000 businesses nationally, spanning more than 50 industries across Australia. To qualify, businesses must clear a 95% quality threshold, with ratings verified across 3 or more sources for consistency. Around 2,500 businesses have received an award through the platform to date, according to figures published by their website.

Family law and estate planning often intersect in practice, not just in theory. A separation can mean an existing will no longer reflects the client's wishes, or that the wrong person still holds power of attorney. A new relationship can raise similar questions about who should be included in a plan and who should be left out. Your Lawyers Turner Riddell Hervey Bay practises across both areas for this reason, with experience built up over years of handling matters in the region, from first-time wills to reviews for clients whose family circumstances have changed since their last will was signed.

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