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***Carroll & O'Dea signs agreement to provide pro-bono legal services at
The Shed Mount DrUITt***

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Carroll and O'Dea Lawyers have commenced a monthly program of free legal advice at the Shed, Mt DrUITt.

The new initiative by Carroll O'Dea is in conjunction with the Homeless Persons Legal Service, which provides free legal advice and representation to people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

The HPLS is a project of the Public Interest Advocacy Centre that provides legal advice and representation and undertakes policy work and law reform, training and community education.

PIAC's services are aimed at individuals and groups who are socially and economically disadvantaged and marginalised.

Carroll & O'Dea Partner Robert Algie today visited 'The Shed' to mark the commencement of pro-bono services for the centre's clients.

"The Shed is an incredibly important and valuable service in Western Sydney which is providing high quality support for some of our most disadvantaged", said Mr. Algie.

The Shed was established in 2004 as a partnership between the University of Western Sydney, MHIRC and the Holy Family Church at Mount DrUITt.

It provides support to men at risk of serious stress and suicide with many from the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community.

"Carroll and O'Dea Parramatta are honoured to be able to provide free legal advice and services to the clients of 'The Shed', as often those in real need can find it difficult to access high quality legal advice.

"Lawyers from our Parramatta office will be working at the 'The Shed' on a monthly rotation, enabling ongoing assistance for those who need it.

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“Carroll and O’Dea have a long tradition in working in the not-for-profit sector and are committed to programs such as these where we can provide our services pro-bono and help make a difference to lives affected by disadvantage”, said Mr Algie.

Editor note – Robert Algie will be visiting ‘The Shed’ Wednesday 13th May at 11AM.

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