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Jillian Comber is an archaeologist and heritage specialist with over 35 years' experience in academia, the public service and private practice. She is currently the Director of Comber Consultants, a private consulting firm, who specialise in Aboriginal, Historic and Maritime Archaeology and cultural heritage management. She is a qualified arbitrator and mediator specialising in Native Title mediation and mediating between Local Government and

Aboriginal communities to ensure a greater role for Aboriginal people in local government affairs, beyond archaeology and cultural heritage.

Jillian has received the Australian Enterprise National Award for Cultural Heritage Specialist of the year in 2022, 2023 and 2024. She received a National Trust Award for the Conservation and Adaptive Reuse of Waratah House and was the recipient of the National Trust Cathy Donnelly Memorial Award "Outstanding Female Heritage Professional" in 2024. She also received the Corporate Vision Small Business Award in 2022.

She has extensive experience as an expert witness on various matters in the Land & Environment Court and the District Court in NSW and the Magistrates Court in Queensland.