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Educational/Professional Memberships

Barrister & Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria 1968; High Court of Australia, 1968; Supreme Court of Tasmania, 1986; Supreme Court of Western Australia, 2001; Law Council of Australia; Law Institute of Victoria; Society of Construction Law; Executive Board of DRBF Region 3.

Current Position

John Sharkey is an independent arbitrator and mediator both domestically and internationally. He is a Professorial Fellow of the University of Melbourne and is the state editor for Victoria and Tasmania of the journal *Building and Construction Law*. He is a former chair of the Law Council of Australia's Construction Law Committee.

John was made a member of the Order of Australia in 2006. In 2010 John was the inaugural winner of the Lifetime Achievement Award presented by Lawyers' Weekly.

Professional Experience

John is the former head of the Construction and Engineering division of Norton Rose Fulbright Australia and has practiced construction law for more than 35 years.

Arbitration and Mediation Experience

John has sat as an arbitrator and mediator within Australia and internationally on over 60 occasions. He is co-author of "*Commercial Arbitration*" (Law Book Company 1986) and "*Building and Construction Contracts*" (2nd ed. Law Book Company 1990).

John's primarily practices in the field of major commercial disputes in the construction, engineering and energy sectors.

Recent appointments include:

- arbitrator in a dispute concerning the installation of a subsea tree in a Timor sea oilfield;
- arbitrator in a dispute in relation to delay and variation claims arising out of a project for the construction of an aged care facility;
- mediator of disputes over the fit-out of an Asian resort and hotel;
- acting as sole arbitrator in a dispute between an Asian university and an American supplier concerning the performance of a contract for the provision of laboratory facilities;
- chair of the DRB for the New Zealand Inter-Island HVDC Pole 3 Project.

Publications

Texts

"*Commercial Arbitration*"; The Law Book Company Limited (1986)

"*Building and Construction Contracts*"; The Law Book Company Limited (1981) 2nd Edition (1990)

Journals

"*Building and Construction Law*"

State Editor for Victoria and Tasmania

Other

- Best Lawyers – 2008/2012
- The Legal 500 – Asia Pacific 2009/2011 – Leading individual
- Winner - Lawyers' Weekly Inaugural Icon Awards - Lifetime Achievement Award 2010
- Senior Statesman – Chambers Asia-Pacific 2011