

ALAN CAMERON AO

Curriculum Vitae

Alan Cameron is a graduate in Arts and Law (including a Master's degree with Honours) from The University of Sydney. At university he was President of the Students Representative Council and of the University of Sydney Union, and an Executive Member of the National Union of Australian University Students.

He worked first as a solicitor for around 3 years in the firm then known as Dawson Waldron, until he was appointed Principal Solicitor of the NSW Aboriginal Legal Service in 1973. He then served as a consultant to the Australian Law Reform Commission in 1975, prior to taking up a two year appointment as a Visiting Fellow at the University of North Sumatra in Medan, Indonesia.

He re-joined Dawson Waldron on returning to Sydney in 1977 and became a partner on 1 January 1979, practising corporate and commercial law. He served as its first managing partner from 1982 until 1985. During the 1980s, he was also a judicial member of the NSW Equal Opportunity Tribunal, and was Chairman of the Business Law Section of the Law Council of Australia. He also served as a director of listed and private companies associated with clients of the firm.

The firm merged with a Melbourne firm to become Blake Dawson Waldron in 1988. He served then as the merged firm's first national managing partner from February 1989 until March 1991. (The firm, became Ashurst Australia in March 2012.)

In April 1991 he took up the role of Commonwealth and Defence Force Ombudsman. He relinquished that position at the end of 1992 to become chairman of the Australian Securities Commission (ASC) and was chairman of the ASC and its successor, the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC), from January 1993 to November 2000.

As chair of the ASC and ASIC he served on the Council of Financial Regulators, and represented Australia on international bodies, chairing both the Executive Committee of the world body of securities regulators, and the Joint Forum of securities, insurance and banking regulators.

Since leaving ASIC in 2000, he has been both a company director, and involved in regulatory projects, law reform and governance reviews of various kinds for the Australian, NSW and ACT Governments, and in Hong Kong, the United Kingdom, Japan and Indonesia.

He is now the part time Chairman of the New South Wales Law Reform Commission.

He was chairman of the board consulting firm known as Cameron Ralph Pty Limited from 2002 to 2012, and involved in numerous reviews and consulting assignments for that firm, until his departure. His directorships in the public sector have included membership of the Judicial Commission of New South Wales for around 8 years, and chairmanship of the NSW Growth Centres Commission, the predecessor to the Greater Sydney Commission, from its inception in 2005 until 2008.

His directorships in the private sector have included

- SFE Corporation Limited, a listed company prior to its merger with ASX,
- ASX Market Supervision Pty Limited, later ASX Compliance Pty Limited
- Ronin Property Group, a listed property trust
- Hastings Funds Management Limited and the listed funds it managed
- chair of Building IQ Inc, a Delaware corporation listed on the ASX
- funds management, securities and insurance companies in the BT Financial Group (subsidiaries of Westpac)
- Audit Quality Review Board Limited, a private sector initiative to monitor the quality of audits conducted by the big 4 accounting firms
- Reliance Rail group, the consortium which financed, built, delivered and now operates 78 sets of trains for the Sydney Rail network

He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors (FAICD), and formerly conducted both their annual update series (attended by over 5,000 directors at venues across Australia) and the corporate governance component of their advanced course. He was Chair of the ASX Corporate Governance Council for five years.

He was Deputy Chancellor of the University of Sydney from February 2008, having been a member of the governing body of the University since 2004, until the end of 2014. As Deputy Chancellor he was a member of all major committees of the University and chaired several. He is a Fellow of the Australian Academy of Law, and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by the University in 2018.

He is a past chair of the Sydney Peace Foundation, which awards the Sydney Peace Prize, and of the Tristan Jepson Memorial Foundation which addresses well-being in the legal profession. .

His *present roles* in addition to the NSW Law Reform Commission are

- chair of Property Exchange Australia Limited, which established and now operates the electronic hub for the lodgement and settlement of land transactions
- director of the Sydney Institute of Marine Science

He was appointed as a Member of the Order of Australia in 1997, and as an Officer in 2011.