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OVERVIEW

Guy Peterson focuses his practice on insurance coverage disputes, where he has acted for a number of commercial and government insurers and insureds in relation to a wide range of public liability, workers' compensation, product liability, directors and officers, asbestos and property related claims in both Victoria and Western Australia.

Guy also has extensive experience with a variety of commercial disputes, including contractual disputes, applications for injunctions and Anton Pillar orders, construction disputes, insolvency and recovery and consumer law matters in Western Australia.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm in early 2013, Guy worked as an insurance coverage and commercial disputes lawyer for a national Australian law firm for over three years and, prior to that, worked as a lawyer at a boutique insurance litigation law firm for over three years where he worked on a number of insurance and commercial disputes.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Australian Insurance Law Association member

EDUCATION

- B.S., University of Western Australia, 2005 (*Psychology*)
- LL.B., University of Western Australia, 2005

ADMISSIONS

- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of Western Australia

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Complex Commercial Litigation and Disputes
- Insurance Recovery and Counseling

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Claims arising from falls in car parks, cemeteries and on Crown Land.
- Claims arising from injuries suffered by contractors' employees on construction sites.
- Claims by members of the public injured whilst trespassing on Crown Land.
- Recovery actions by the Victorian WorkCover Authority.
- Claims by volunteer emergency service members arising from personal injury during training or call outs, post incident stress and exposure to carcinogens.
- Claims under the Road Management Act.
- Claims relating to lifting policies and procedures in Public Hospitals.
- Claims arising from property damage caused by Insureds' gates or roller doors.
- Claims against prior insurers for long term exposure claims.
- Responding to requests for information by the Coroners Court, including providing witness statements.
- Advising on potential insurance coverage issues under Australian insurance policies, including issues of dual insurance and recovery against other insurers.
- Claims for reimbursement of defence costs under an insurance policy.
- Instructing Counsel in relation to successful arguments on choice of law issues in *Di Paolo v Salta Constructions Pty Ltd & Ors* [2015] VSC 31 and *Di Paolo v Salta Constructions Pty Ltd & Ors* [2015] VSCA 230.
- Appearing as junior counsel for Adamus Resources in *Hightime Investments Pty Ltd v Adamus Resources Ltd* [2012] WASC 295.
- Representing successful applicant for an injunction to prevent an extraordinary general meeting of members in *Ngarmula Tharndu Karrungu Maya Ltd v Ngarluma Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC* [2014] WASC 79.
- Representing parties to disputes between former employers and employees involving applications for Anton Piller orders to recover confidential information and injunctions to enforce restraints of trade and protect confidential information.
- Representing a head contractor in relation to an arbitration and adjudication with a sub-contractor regarding delays to sheet piling works in regional Western Australia.

- Representing parties to contracts for the provision of mining accommodation in regional Western Australia.