# Peter Dunning QC



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#### Admitted to the legal profession

Admitted as a barrister in NSW 1992

Appointment as Senior Counsel 2005 (QLD)

Also entitled to practise in All Australian jurisdictions and Solomon Islands

(Commonwealth, State and Territory)

### Principal areas of practice

Constitutional law

Appellate

Commercial and equity Company and insolvency

Public law

Native title

**Building and construction** 

Insurance

Professional negligence and regulatory law

Estate law

### Additional information

Peter Dunning between 2014 and 2019 held a commission as the Solicitor-General for Queensland. In that role Peter has appeared many times in the High Court of Australia and other courts for the State of Queensland in the full range of constitutional, native title and public law cases. During that period Peter also maintained his right of private practice and continued his private practice predominantly in the areas of appellate work and commercial litigation. Prior to his term as Solicitor-General Peter had a large, essentially commercial, practice but in fact covering nearly the full gamut of legal disputes and appearance work. Peter also maintains a significant advice practice

### **CONSTITUTIONAL LAW**

Kuczborski v Queensland (2014) 254 CLR 51; (2014) 314 ALR 528; (2014) 89 ALJR 59; [2014] HCA 46;

Pollentine v Bleijie (2014) 253 CLR 629; (2014) 311 ALR 332; (2014) 88 ALJR 796; (2014) 238 A Crim R 428; [2014] HCA 30;

**PT Bayan Resources TBK v BCBC Singapore Pte Ltd** (2015) 258 CLR 1; (2015) 325 ALR 168; (2015) 89 ALJR 975; (2015) 109 ACSR 349; [2015] HCA 36;

CEPU & Ors v Queensland Rail & Anor (2015) 256 CLR 171; (2015) 318 ALR 1; (2015) 151 ALD 28; (2015) 89 ALJR 434; [2015] HCA 11;

**Australian Communications and Media Authority v Today FM (Sydney)**; (2015) 255 CLR 352; (2015) 147 ALD 470; (2015) 317 ALR 279; (2015) 89 ALJR 382; [2015] HCA 7;

Bell Group NV (in Liq) v Western Australia; (2016) 260 CLR 500; (2016) 331 ALR 408; (2016) 90 ALJR 655; (2016) 113 ACSR 1; (2016) 103 ATR 178; [2016] HCA 21.

Duncan v New South Wales; (2015) 255 CLR 388; (2015) 151 ALD 62; (2015) 318 ALR 375; (2015) 89 ALJR 462; [2015] HCA 13;

Rizeq v Western Australia; (2017) 344 ALR 421; (2017) 91 ALJR 707; (2017) 57 Fam LR 294; [2017] HCA 23;

Alqudsi v R; (2016) 258 CLR 203; (2016) 332 ALR 20; (2016) 90 ALJR 711; (2016) 154 A Crim R 533; [2016] HCA 24;

Brown v Tasmania; (2017) 261 CLR 238; (2017) 349 ALR 398; (2017) 91 ALJR 1089; [2017] HCA 43;

North Australian Aboriginal Justice Agency Ltd v Northern Territory; (2015) 256 CLR 569; (2015) 326 ALR 16; (2015) 90 ALJR 38; (2015) 254 A Crim R 374; [2015] HCA 41;

**Plaintiff M68/2015 v Minister for Immigration and Border Protection**; (2016) 257 CLR 42; (2016) 327 ALR 369; (2016) 90 ALJR 297; [2016] HCA 1;

Tajjour v New South Wales; (2014) 254 CLR 508; (2014) 313 ALR 221; (2014) 88 ALJR 80; (2014) 241 A Crim R 381; [2014] HCA 35;

Williams v Commonwealth of Australia; (2014) 252 CLR 416; (2014) 309 ALR 41; (2014) 88 ALJR 701; [2014] HCA 23;

Palmer v Ayres (2017) 259 CLR 478; (2017) 341 ALR 18; (2017) 91 ALJR 325; (2017) 118 ACSR 380; [2017] HCA 5;

Unions NSW and Others v New South Wales; (2019) 363 ALR 1; [2019] HCA 1.

### **APPELLATE**

# Commercial and Equity

MFB Properties (NQ) Pty Ltd v MSD Securities Pty Ltd [2018] QCA 259;

Grocon Constructions (QLD) Pty Ltd v Juniper Developer (No 2) Pty Ltd; [2015] QCA 291;

Legune Land Pty Ltd v Northern Territory Land Corporation (2013) 167 NTR 1; [2013] NTCA 7;

AG (CQ) Pty Ltd v A&T Promotions Pty Ltd [2011] 1 Qd R 306; [2010] QCA 83.

### Company and Insolvency

Foots v Southern Cross Mine Management Pty Ltd (2007) 234 CLR 52; (2007) 241 ALR 32; (2007) 82 ALJR 173; [2007] HCA 56;

Mine & Quarry Equipment International Ltd v McIntosh (2005) 54 ASCR 1; (2005) 23 ACLC 1185; [2005] QCA 186;

Park and McIntosh v Lanray Industries Pty Ltd; (2010) 80 ACSR 186; [2010] QCA 257.

#### **Public Law**

LD Cooper Shale Pty Ltd v Minister for Natural Resources and Mines (2016) 220 LGERA 92; [2016] QCA 352;

Witness JA v Scott [2015] QCA 285;

Attorney-General (Qld) v Morris (2015) 71 MVR 290; [2015] QCA 112;

Burns v Corbett (2018) 353 ALR 386; (2018) 92 ALJR 423; [2018] HCA 15;

Mentink v Registrar of Australian Register of Ships (2014) 320 ALR 137; [2014] FCA 1138;

Trevorrow v Council of the City of the Gold Coast (2018) 229 LGERA 355; [2018] QPER 970; [2018] QCA 19;

Work Health Authority v Outback Ballooning Pty Ltd (2019) 363 ALR 188; [2019] HCA 2;

#### **Native Title**

Doyle obh of Iman People 2 v Queensland (2016) 249 FCR 519; (2016)343 ALR 260; [2016] FCAFC 189.

#### **Criminal Law**

Attorney-General v Lawrence (2014) 244 A Crim R 184; [2014] QCA 220;

Parrella Enterprises Pty Ltd v Cannavan; [2007] 1 Qd R 261; [2006] QCA 035;

**Luavex v R** [2007] SBCA 13;

R v GBC; [2018] QCA 152.

### **Building and Construction**

Grocon Constructions (QLD) Pty Ltd v Juniper Developer (No 2) Pty Ltd [2015] QCA 291;

Monadelphous Engineering Pty Ltd v Wiggins Island Coal Export Terminal Pty Ltd [2017] 1 Qd R 190; [2015] QCA 290;

BM Alliance Coal Operations Pty Ltd v BGC Contracting Pty Ltd [2015] 1 Qd R 228; [2013] QCA 394;

Heavy Plant Leasing Pty Ltd v McConnell Dowell Constructions (Aust) Pty Ltd [2013] QCA 386;

# Insurance

*McCarthy v St Paul International Insurance Co Ltd* (2007) 157 FCR 402; (2007) 239 ALR 527; (2007) 14 ANZ Ins Cas 61-725; [2007] FCAFC 28;

**QBE Insurance Ltd v Aulich** (2003) 152 ACTR 1; [2003] ACTCA 16;

Hamcor Pty Ltd v Marsh Pty Ltd [2013] QCA 262;

Power v Markel Capital Ltd (2007) 14 ANZ Ins Cas 61-742; [2007] QCA 284.

# Family Law

Anderson v McIntosh (2013) 283 FLR 361; (2013) 50 Fam LR 609; [2013] FamCAFC 200.

## Professional Negligence and Regulatory Law

Caboolture Park Shopping Centre Pty Ltd (in liq) v White Industries (Qld) Pty Ltd; (1993) 45 FCR 224; (1993) 117 ALR 253;

Attorney-General of State of Queensland v Legal Services Commissioner [2018] QCA 066.

#### **COMMERCIAL AND EQUITY**

Fig Tree Developments Ltd (formerly Village Life Ltd) v Australian Property Custodian Holdings Ltd [2009] FCA 390;

AAShi Pty Ltd v Avbar Pty Ltd (No. 2) (2010) 186 FCR 148; [2010] FCA 427;

Shannon v ANZ Banking Corporation [1994] 2 Qd R 560; 563;

Fused Electrics Pty Ltd v Donald [1995] 2 Qd R 7;

Velvet Glove Holdings Pty Ltd v Mount Isa Mines Ltd (2012) 28 BCL 351; [2011] QCA 312.

#### **COMPANY AND INSOLVENCY**

Australian Securities and Investments Commission v Storm Financial Ltd (recs and mgrs. apptd) (admin apptd); (2009) 71 ACSR 81; [2009] FCA 269;

Club Superstores Australia Pty Ltd, Re (in liq); (1993) 10 ACSR 730; (1993) 11 ACLC 751;

Baldwin v Icon Energy Ltd; [2018] QSC 233.

#### **BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION**

Baulderstone Hornibrook Pty Ltd v Broen Australia Pty Ltd [2003] 2 Qd R 577; [2003] QSC 158;

John Holland Pty Ltd v Coastal Dredging & Construction Pty Ltd [2012] 2 Qd R 435; [2012] QCA 150;

Reed Constructions (Qld) Pty Ltd v Martinek Holdings Pty Ltd [2011] 1 Qd R 28; [2009] QSC 345;

Simcorp Developments & Constructions v Gold Coast Titans Property Pty Ltd (2010) 27 BCL 272; [2010] QSC 162;

Redline Contracting Pty Ltd v MCC Mining (Western Australia) Pty Ltd (No 2); (2013) 29 BCL 256; [2012] FCA 1.

### **INSURANCE**

Kotku Bread Pty Ltd v Vero Insurance Ltd [2012] QSC 109;

Nominal Defendant v Duntroon Holdings Pty Ltd; (2007) 49 MVR 152; [2007] QCS 338;

Power v Markel Capital Ltd; (2006) 14 ANZ Ins Cas 61-714; [2006] QSC 341.

### **PUBLIC LAW**

Grosse v Purvis (2003) Aust Torts Rep 81-706; [2003] QDC 151;

Attorney-General (Qld) v Di Carlo; [2017] QSC 171;

Attorney-General (Qld) v Jackway; [2018] QSC 137.

### PROFESSIONAL NEGLIGENCE AND REGULATORY LAW

White Industries (QId) Pty Ltd v Flower & Hart (a firm); (1998) 156 ALR 169; (1998) 29 ACSR 21; [1998] FCA 806;

McDonald v AMP Financial Planning Pty Ltd (2018) 129 ACSR 605; [2018] QSC 195;

Scottsdale Homes Pty Ltd v Gemkip Pty Ltd; [2008] QSC 326.

# Selected Cases



### **ESTATE**

Darveniza v Darveniza [2014] QSC 37;

**Catelan v Herceg**; [2012] QSC 320.