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PROFILE

Wayne is senior executive with over 35 years' experience, of which, 20 + years has been in executive leadership across a diverse portfolio in private and public listed companies and government in Australia, New Zealand, Asia, Europe, and the UK.

His roles have ranged from regional leadership of the Property and Buildings/Built Environment division of a large publicly listed engineering professional services consultancy, the Chief Executive Officer of a privately owned SME professional services practice through to leadership, advisory and research roles in Government.

His executive responsibilities have covered all aspects of leadership, management and delivery of professional services and consulting practices including setting business and growth strategies; building key client relationships and work winning strategies; financial accountability and management of large scale P&Ls; developing and delivering budgets and strong *commercial* outcomes; talent management and attraction including staff growth and development; as well as project coordination and delivery across multi-disciplinary teams at a regional level.

As a Project Director, Wayne has also led and delivered significant major project across the region leading multi-disciplinary engineering design teams. This has included all aspects of project delivery including C-suite and client interface, commercial performance, programming, and resourcing planning through to project governance, risk, and compliance. Projects of note include, Queens Wharf Precinct, Brisbane; Caulfield to Dandenong CD9 Stations, Southbank by Buelah and Flinders West Precinct, Melbourne, Sydney Metro Northwest Stations, Waterloo Metro Quarter and Harbourside Precinct, Sydney; Blue Water Island Precinct-wide Fire Life Safety, Dubai, the Australian Embassy Precinct, Bangkok, SE 1 Elephant and Castle, London UK, Baltimore Wharf, Docklands, UK and Norton Folgate, Bishopsgate, London, UK.

During his tenure in the public sector, he contributed to the Australian Government in various capacities, including executive leadership, Ministerial and Government advisory roles, and participation in international delegations and Government representation.

At the Australian Building Codes Board, Wayne worked on various facets of building regulatory reform at international, national, and state level. He also managed building regulatory policy on product and material evaluation and led numerous research programmes to develop building and engineering codes and standards.

As Private Secretary to the NZ Minister for Building and Construction, Wayne provided Building and Construction portfolio expertise and advice on regulatory policy matters,

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focussing on creating better building and construction regulatory outcomes including better consumer protection, practitioner licensing regimes, and codes and standards.

Wayne also served on the Building Codes Committee (BCC) for 8 years, the peak committee advising the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) on the National Construction Code and held the position of State Director on the Committee for Economic Development's (CEDA) Queensland State Advisory Council. He was also an Adjunct Teaching Fellow at the Faculty of Society & Design at Bond University.

EDUCATION

- Master of Engineering, University of Western Sydney
- Master of Building Science, University of South Australia
- Master of Management, National Graduate School of Management, The Australian National University
- Graduate Diploma in Urban Policy & Planning, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
- Graduate Certificate in Performance-Based Building & Fire Codes, Victoria University of Technology

EXECUTIVE EDUCATION

- McGill University, Montreal, Canada – Desautels Faculty of Management; WSP Global Senior Leadership Academy
- Mt Eliza Eliza Business School, Melbourne, Australia; Federal Department of Industry, Science and Resources Senior Leadership Academy

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

- Chartered Professional Engineer United Kingdom (CPEng)
- Chartered Engineer Australia (CEng)
- Registered Professional Engineer Australia (NPER)
- Registered APEC Engineer (IEAust)
- Registered International Professional Engineer IntPE (IEAust)
- Fellow Institute of Engineers Australia (FIEAust)
- Registered Professional Engineer, Queensland
- Registered Professional Engineer, NSW
- Registered Professional Engineer, Victoria
- Professional Engineer, APEC
- Fellow, Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (FRICS)
- Chartered Building Surveyor, United Kingdom
- Chartered Building Surveyor, Australia

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

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Wayne has been involved as an expert witness in several litigations including arbitration, civil court, and various tribunals in Victoria and Queensland, Australia, having been called upon to support investigation and litigation on fire, building codes and standards and related safety engineering matters.

He has a thorough knowledge and extensive experience in the preparation and presentation of independent expert evidence for clients who anticipate legal action and provides a number of services related to expert witness litigation including advisory consulting, expert testimony, and peer review.

His previous expert witness cases have covered several areas ranging from building and fire codes and standards application and interpretation, fire engineering analysis and techniques, site investigations, mediation, and court work. This variety of work has ensured a broad background and experience level to tackle the most complicated expert witness cases.

He has been trained by the Institute of Engineers in Australia, who deliver courses for engineering expert witnesses. He keeps himself up to date with the latest guidelines and code of ethics issued by these organisations for expert witness work.

WORK HISTORY

2024 – present | Director | Halliwell Fire Research | Australia
2023 – 2024 | Director | Focused Fire Engineering Pty Ltd | Australia
2019 – 2022 | CEO | Omnii Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd | Australia
2016 – 2019 | Managing Director of Property and Buildings | WSP | Australia and Philippines
2010 – 2016 | Director of Specialist Consulting | WSP | Australia and New Zealand
2005 – 2009 | Director of Fire Engineering | WSP | UK
2004 – 2005 | Private Secretary to the Minister for Building and Construction | New Zealand
2003 – 2004 | Building Industry Authority/Department of Building & Housing | Transition Operations Executive Manager, Building Codes and Standards Policy
2000 – 2003 | Australian Building Codes Board | Executive Director, Dept of Industry, Science and Research
1997 – 2000 | Australian Building Codes Board | Director, Code Development & Research