



LEMESSURIER HARRINGTON CONSULTING
The practice support group



Curriculum Vitae

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Born 6/9/52
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University of Adelaide (1970 -1973)
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LeMessurier Harrington Consulting / Current Employment

Since 1st October 2001 we have been partners in LeMessurier Harrington Consulting. The business focuses on the development and presentation of risk management education programs for the legal and other professions together with the provision of quality practice reviews for organisations and legal firms and the preparation of relevant reports. We are keen to assist with the adoption of good governance and creating an ethical and efficient culture.

We are often engaged to undertake management or personnel work within organisations. Major projects in 2015 have included a substantial review of a government department and assisting a client in its preparation for a Royal Commission.

LeMessurier Harrington Consulting has provided educational seminars and practice support to members of the legal profession in South Australia, Northern Territory, New South Wales, ACT, Victoria and Tasmania. Other current or previous clients include the Australian Institute of Conveyancers, various Legal Aid, Land Councils and Native Title Units, the Law Society of Singapore, the Malaysian Bar Council, the Law Society of Papua New Guinea, the Anglican Church and Medical Indemnity Group Australia. Seminars are presented in various formats ranging from major conference, in-house presentations and interactive on-line platforms.

Previous Employment

For over ten years we were solicitors at Law Claims with the Law Society of South Australia. Law Claims manages the mutual professional indemnity insurance scheme for the South Australian Legal Profession. Having handled claims against legal practitioners we have a unique insight into professional negligence, the importance of understanding and identifying risks and taking appropriate action to minimise the identified dangers.

In 1997 the Law Society of SA embarked on a risk management education program. In addition to handling claims we developed and presented suitable seminars/workshops for the profession. The majority of the legal profession attended these voluntary education sessions. Practitioners repeatedly stated that they found them very helpful in understanding the real causes of claims and as a direct result of the sessions made changes to the way they practice.

Jane prior to 1990

1974 Articled Clerk with Alderman Clark Rice and Lee
1975 – 1977 Solicitor with Alderman Clark Rice and Lee
1979 – 1987 Lecturer at the University of South Australia
1987 – 1990 Solicitor with Ross McCarthy and Nosworthy

“My experience prior to 1990 was both in private practice and education. I practiced mainly in the area of civil litigation, which provided a sound understanding of the importance of best practice. My years as a lecturer in corporate, building and commercial law helped develop both sound legal knowledge as well as teaching and presentation skills. The combination of both career paths provides a unique background to risk management consulting.”

Sue prior to 1988

1982 Articled Clerk with Johnston Withers McCusker & Co
1983 Solicitor with Jackie Woodhead & Co
1984 – 1987 Moved to Sydney and worked as a solicitor with Geoffrey Edwards & Co and then Ledgerwood Hawley & Co.

“My experience in general practice ranged from working with a sole practitioner who had a suburban and country office, to working with a large city firm, Geoffrey Edwards & Co. In the former we accepted instructions for a wide range of work including criminal, family, conveyancing, personal injuries, sale of businesses, wills and probate. In the latter there was a greater focus on industrial and personal injuries litigation. This range of experience in different areas of work and types of practice, provided an ideal background for risk management consulting.”