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Richard is a Partner of Tottle Partners, specialising in engineering, construction and infrastructure matters.

He was admitted to practice in Western Australia in 1989 and was a founding partner of the firm upon its establishment in 2003. He has been repeatedly recognised in *Doyle's Guide* as a leading Western Australian construction lawyer.

Richard has a back and front end practice, with expertise and experience in the following areas:

- the planning, development, negotiation and implementation of a broad range of contracts and related documentation, including PPP, alliance, partnering and ECI contracts

- the provision of project structuring and risk strategy advice necessary to properly align the choice of contracts (and the content of the contract terms) with the commercial objectives and development requirements for projects

- adjudications under the Construction Contracts Act in Western Australia and under various security of payment legislation in other States and Territories

- dispute resolution through mediation, arbitration, expert determination and court processes, including international arbitrations

Richard has a wide range of clients, including publicly listed and private contractors, construction companies, mining companies, universities and professional service providers (engineers, architects etc.) in the building, construction, energy and resources industries.

His work on projects in the last few years has included:

- advisory and dispute resolution for contractors on the Chevron Wheatstone and Gorgon LNG Projects (offshore and onshore)

- advisory and dispute resolution for contractors working on the Inpex Ichthys LNG project (onshore)

- advisory and dispute resolution for contractors working on the Tan Burrup ammonium nitrate plant expansion

- advisory and dispute resolution for contractors working on the Roy Hill project

- dispute resolution on the Southern Seawater Desalination Plant project (initial and expansion projects)

- advisory and dispute resolution for contractors on various major road projects, including the Perth Bunbury Highway, Great Eastern Highway and various mine related road systems



dispute resolution of contractor claims for numerous mine construction projects, including earthworks, civils, SMP and E&I packages, relating to mines for FMG, BHPB, Rio Tinto, Mt Gibson Iron, Citic Pacific Mining, Tianqi and Albermarle

advisory and dispute resolution for numerous major building projects including the New Perth Stadium, the Perth Airport expansion, the Perth MetroRail city stations and underground, the Waterbank precinct, and CBD buildings such as Raine Square, 140 William Street, Cloisters, and Frasers East Perth

advisory and dispute resolution on grain terminal and shipping terminal expansion projects in Western Australia and in New South Wales

Successful outcomes which Richard has recently achieved for his clients include:

contract preparation and implementation advice to a leading Western Australian university regarding its campus renewal project

settlement of substantial claims by a contractor on a Perth hospital project

settlement of international arbitration proceedings on a significant Western Australian resources project

adjudication of a series of high value payment disputes on another significant Western Australian resources project

Richard is a member of the Society of Construction Law Australia and the Law Society of Western Australia.