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Peter Tomasetti completed a Law Degree at Sydney University and came to the Bar in May 1979 having served as Associate to Justice Perrignon in the Industrial Commission of NSW for two years prior.

He undertook his reading period with Garry Downes and worked extensively with Peter McClellan prior to them taking Silk in 2007.

His principal areas of practice are Administrative Law, Compulsory Land Acquisition and Compensation; Equity; Negligence (excluding cases for personal injury); Building and Construction Law; and Property Law.

The principal courts and tribunals in which he practices are the Land and Environment Court of New South Wales, the Supreme Court, Equity Division, and the NSW the Court of Appeal. He has appeared in a number of arbitration disputes.

He specialises in environmental and planning law disputes, and has acted for many years for many NSW councils. He regularly acts, advises and appears for and against government agencies and statutory corporations, consent authorities, local councils, developers, planners, architects, engineers and residents in all manner of environmental law cases.

In recent years Peter has practised extensively in compulsory acquisition disputes. He first appeared in 1981 in *Falconer v. New South Wales Housing Commission* (1981) 1 NSWLR 547 as junior to Murray Wilcox QC. Since then he has developed specialty in this area of the law appearing for TransGrid, the Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW and many councils and applicants in relation to the determination of compensation upon the compulsory acquisition of land.

He appears in the Land and Environment Court and the New South Wales Supreme Court, Court of Appeal in relation to these matters.

He appeared for the Roads and Traffic Authority of New South Wales in relation to the majority of disputed compensation claims arising from the construction of the M7 Orbital Motorway, the North West Sydney dedicated busway system and has appeared in relation to many compensation claims for the Pacific Highway upgrade between Sydney and New South Wales northern border. He has experience in relation to compulsory acquisition of land for open space and for other public purposes.

Peter was appointed Senior Counsel in 2007. Since then he has continued to work for the Roads and Traffic Authority of New South Wales, councils and applicants in relation to all issues arising upon the compulsory acquisition of land as well as carrying on practice in the field of environmental and planning law.

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