



# Tony McAvoy SC

Senior Counsel, Frederick Jordan Chambers,  
Sydney, Australia



## Education

- Bachelor of Laws 1988 (Queensland University of Technology)
- Doctor of Laws 2022 (Honoris Causa)(University of Technology Sydney)



## Experience

- Barrister - Senior Counsel (2015 - present)
- Barrister - Junior Counsel (2000 - 2015)
- Treaty Commissioner for the Northern Territory (Aust) (2021 - 2022)
- Acting Part Time Commissioner of the NSW Land and Environment Court (2011 - 2013)



## Biography

Tony is a Wirldi man. He is a traditional owner of land in central Queensland. He commenced work in 1983 as a law clerk. He was admitted to practice as a solicitor in 1988. He has worked in government managing policy of land and natural resources. He was admitted as a barrister in 2000. He was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2015. He has practiced mainly in Aboriginal land rights claims (native title) and successfully represented many First Nations. He has also appeared a Senior Counsel assisting two Royal Commissions (2016-2017 and (2021-Present). He has recently been appointed as a part-time Commissioner on the Australian Law Reform Commission for the review of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth). In 2021-2022 he was the Acting Treaty Commissioner for the Northern Territory. He was awarded an honorary Doctorate in Law in 2022. He chairs various professional committees, and has been an elected member of the NSW Bar Council since 2022.