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Cunneen, Margaret

Occupation Barrister, Lawyer, Senior Counsel

Summary

Margaret Cunneen is the Deputy Senior Crown Prosecutor in New South Wales and has held a commission as a Crown Prosecutor since 1990. She came to prominence when she prosecuted a series of highly publicised pedophiles and several notable gang rape and murder trials. Cunneen worked as a legal clerk while studying for her Bachelor of Laws (1982) at what was then the NSW Institute of Technology (NSWIT), part of the first cohort of students in the Faculty of Law. Cunnen then took a position with the New South Wales Attorney General's Department. A post with the Public Service Board's Legal Branch followed, before joining the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, heading up their Child Sexual Assault Unit until her appointment as Crown Prosecutor. She took silk, appointed Senior Counsel in 2007.

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