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Craig is a retired Commissioned Police Officer with 29 years of experience with the NSW Police Force.

Craig has consulted to major organisations in the public and private sector in regard to Risk Management, Threat Management, Emergency Management, Crowd Management, Threat Environment and Counter Terrorism training.

Craig held a senior management role as Commander of the State Planning Unit, Major Events & Incidents Group, NSW Police Force focused on strategic leadership, public order management, emergency management, strategic planning, continuous improvement, risk management and business/ operations planning. Craig was responsible for the development, maintenance and lecturing of the Incident Commanders Course at the NSW Police Force Leadership College.

Craig was the key NSWPF contact for The Department of Premier and Cabinet (Protocol and Special Events Division) and Destination NSW. This included responsibility for activation of the Police Operations Centre/Government Coordination Centre in the event of a major incident or emergency.

Craig led the NSWPF Operational planning response for over 100 Major Operations State-wide including operational support for emergency management response this extended interstate and abroad. Major coordination operations included the NSWPF response for the G20 events in NSW held during 2014 and was part of the security working group planning the G20 events within Australia for 2014, the NSWPF Security response and planning to the 2015 Asian Football Cup and the ICC Cricket World Cup.

A summary of Craig’s experience in major event and site Security Planning, execution and management;

Commander, State Planning Unit – Led the NSW Police Force operational planning response
2014: G20 Events held in NSW and member of the G20 Security Working Group for G20 Events held within Australia
2015: NSW Police Force Security Police planning and response Asian Football Cup
2015: NSW Police Force Security Police planning and response ICC Cricket World Cup
Over 100 major events held across Sydney over the past 12 years including New Years Eve and Australia Day celebrations, City to Surf, World Youth Day
Emergency response planning for both NSW and interstate Emergency and Critical Incidents –

including resourcing and logistics

Craig has represented the NSW Police Force at many international events including the Australian Government Observers program Qatar Asian Cup 2011, observer to NYPD security operations in support of United Nations General events in New York and major event security planning with other Federal Agencies in Washington.

In 2015 Craig was awarded the prestigious Australian Police Medal in the Queen's birthday honours for distinguished service by a member of an Australian Police Force.

Craig's diverse background, expert knowledge and respected reputation has resulted in many invitations as a key note speaker both in Australia and abroad. Craig's speaking duties have covered The Terrorism and Major Events APEC meeting in Vancouver 2012, Asia Pacific Venue Management Conference 2014, Asia Pacific Venue Management Congress 2015, FIFA Zurich, Switzerland for Australia World Football Cup bid 2010, OSAC (US Government overseas security advisory panel), National Australia Day Committee, Crowd safety Seminar, Sydney 2014. Craig's more recent speaking engagements include, The Exhibition and Event Association of Australasia (EAAA) Leaders Forum 2016 Melbourne and The Global and Cyber Security Forum, Aberdeen Scotland presenting on Understanding Today's Security Panorama, several speaking and consulting engagement throughout the Middle East.

Craig continues his speaking commitments both internationally and nationally and is an advocate of Australia's Strategy for Protecting Crowded Places. Craig has an in depth knowledge of the strategy and how the Crowded Places Partnership Model works, the structure being ANZCTC, CPAG, BAG, Forums, their members and their roles and responsibilities within the partnership in protecting the community. Craig has strong experience in Government Coordination meetings and well established relationships with key state and territory officials including NSW Police, Victoria Police, Queensland Police, WA Police, Australian Federal Police and Border Force.

Craig has consulted to major organisations in regard to Risk Management, Threat Management, Emergency Management, Crowd Management, Threat Environment, Target Hardening Assessment and Counter Terrorism training. Sheridan Consulting Group has been engaged by the City of Sydney Council, Bayside Council, Central Coast Council, Northern beaches Council, City of Newcastle, Boroondara Council, City of Perth and South Perth local councils and major sporting stadiums - Etihad Stadium, Sydney Cricket Ground and Auckland Stadiums NZ. Further protective security assessments and engagements have been completed for major organisations being Financial Ombudsman Service, Western Sydney Local Health District, University of NSW, Australian National University and Ardent Leisure Group to complete security and threat assessment reviews including physical security and CCTV surveillance full site location assessments, coverage and placement.

Craig has completed major risk reviews for Roads and Maritime Services NSW, Arts NSW and Dexu Property Group and developed the Executive Management Emergency Management and Incident Management Strategy and Procedure for Transport for NSW. Craig has partnered with Deloitte in the areas of Risk management, Recovery and Resilience and provided counter terrorism response training (Responding to Workplace Emergencies) to Barangaroo Delivery Authority, Prime Group,

Boating Industry of Australia, Royal Botanic Gardens, Mainroads WA, Village Roadshow and ANZAC War Memorial.

Craig has had notable membership appointments as Director, Asia Pacific Special Olympics Board from 2012, Member of Counter Terrorism & Special Tactics Command “Strike Force Eagle” Incident Management Team, attained Secret and Top Secret National Security clearance, Member of NSW Government Events Operations Group - Executive (policy development), a member of NSW Police Force Strategic Intelligence Board and Member of OSAC – Overseas Security Advisory Council – US Department of State.

A summary of Craig’s appointments as Managing Director Sheridan Consulting Group;

Sheridan Consulting Group - Managing Director
2016,2017,2018, 2019: Destination NSW Vivid Festival Lead Security and Risk Advisor
2019: TEG Live USA Basketball Tour Lead Security Risk Advisor and Head of Security
2019: Bayside Council Lead Security and Risk Advisor
2019: Spotless, Downer Group Strategic Security and Risk Consultant,
2018, 2019: AFL Emergency Management, Security and Risk Services Grand Final Events Security Advisor
2018: The Star Entertainment Group Group Security Director – Development of Security Crowd strategy and plan for Commonwealth Games Gold Coast 2018.
2018: Wheelchair World Rugby Championships Organising Committee – Head of Security and Risk (arrival airport, venues at Sydney Olympic Park, Hotels, Transport)
2017,2018, 2019: Supercars Australia Lead Security and Risk Advisor
2017: Rugby League World Cup Head of Security
2018, 2019 : Lead Risk & Security Advisor Barangaroo Delivery Authority
2017,2018 Lead Security, Risk and Emergency Management Advisor, Place Management Property NSW (Darling Harbour, The Rocks and Circular Quay precincts) BAU and major events
2017, 2018, 2019 completed Security planning for various major events and organisations including; Sail GP, Invictus Games Sydney, Royal Botanical Gardens, City Of Sydney, City of Parramatta, Sydney Olympic Park Authority for Major Event planning, Australian Catholic Youth Festival, Department of Premier and Cabinet (advisor on Security and NYE Integrated Crowd Management 2016, 2017), Newcastle Council, Bayside Council, City of Perth, City of South Perth, City of Armadale

Craig holds an Executive Master of Public Administration, an Advanced Diploma in Police Management, Diploma of Vocational Education and Training, Advanced Diploma in Security Risk Management, Diploma in Training and Assessment Systems, Diploma of Event Management and Cert IV in Frontline Management (Business).

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