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PETER GERRARD PURCELL

Australian citizen, 68, married, 3 children

BSc, 1967, University of Sydney, NSW MSc, 1981, University of Sydney, NSW

Summary

Peter worked with WAPET in Western Australia and Continental Oil in New Guinea, before transfer to the USA (1970-73) and work on Conoco projects in Africa, Asia and Australia. He managed Whitestone Petroleum operations in Ethiopia and Kenya (1973-77) and Australia (1978-80). In 1980 he formed P & R Geological Consultants Pty Ltd with geologist wife Robyn, and has worked since as as an exploration and management consultant for projects in Australia, Africa and SE Asia. Peter has edited several books on Western Australian geology and is the author of numerous articles on geology and petroleum exploration in Australia and East Africa, as well as environmental and aboriginal issues. A member of AAPG, GSL, PESA, and ASEG, he was awarded the APPEA Lewis G. Weeks medal in 2010 for contributions to the Australian industry

1980-2015P & R Geological Consultants Pty Ltd
General Manager (1980-2015)

P&R has provided a wide range of exploration and project management services for the petroleum exploration industry, with a specialty niche as adviser and facilitator for companies exploring in Western Australia and East Africa.

P&R services have included

- Project management for exploration activities in Australia, New Zealand and Africa Operational management of airborne, seismic and drilling operations, onshore and offshore
- Geoscientific advice on exploration, Australia and international
- Basin and play analyses and evaluation
- Geoseismic evaluation of projects and farm-in opportunities
- Interpretation of seismic and potential methods data
- Facilitation of environmental and cultural land access negotiations

PRE-1980 EXPERIENCE

- 1978 1980 Whitestone Petroleum Australia Ltd, Perth Exploration Manager
- 1973 1977 Whitestone Ethiopia Petroleum Company, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Technical Manager

- 1970 1973 Continental Oil Company, Ponca City, Oklahoma Geophysicist
- 1969 1970 Continental Oil Company of Australia, Sydney, NSW Geophysicist
- 1967 1969 West Australian Petroleum Pty Ltd, Perth, WA Geophysicist

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:

- American Association of Petroleum Geologists
- Australian Institute of Geoscientists
- Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia
- Geological Society of Australia
- Geological Society of London
- Australian Society of Exploration Geophysicists

AWARDS

2006	American Association of Petroleum Geologists' Award of Excellence
2007	Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia Meritorious Award
2010	Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association Lewis G. Weeks medal