



**BODY CORPORATE
MANAGEMENT**
Setting the Standards in Strata

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Ernst Body Corporate Management (Ernst) is active within the national and state strata industry bodies to give our clients a voice and ensure their best interests are protected and promoted.

The National Community Titles Institute has had a name change to Strata Community Australia (SCA). The new brand brings together its members - Community Titles Institute Queensland, Institute of Strata Title Management (NSW), Owners Corporation Victoria, Strata Titles Institute South Australia and Strata Titles Institute Western Australia - under the one name with a new constitution and governance structure.

The peak industry body for Body Corporate and Community Title Management in Australia, SCA is endeavouring to lift the profile of the industry by law reform, education and training. SCA is coming together exactly half a century after the first legal expression of strata title, in the Conveyancing (Strata Titles) Act 1961 of NSW. Then, it was an innovative way of realising the Australian dream of home ownership for more people in Sydney's most popular suburbs.

Fifty years on, medium and high density living is no longer a compromise but the lifestyle of choice for a large and growing proportion of households across the Australian continent. There are now 270,000 strata and community title schemes covering two million lots Australia-wide. Bodies corporate, owners' corporations, strata companies or community associations are becoming an ever-more important part of the economic and social fabric.

Ernst has a strong representation in the industry with a commitment to setting standards in strata. Ernst Director, Alan Buckle continues his integral work at SCA (QLD) as the industry body's Vice President and all Body Corporate Managers are members of SCA (QLD).