



### PROFILE – WILLIAM SOMERVILLE

My name is **William (Will) Somerville**. I am a qualified chartered secretary and hold an *FCIS, ACMA and a Diploma in Corporate Law (University of Johannesburg, South Africa)*. I am also an Affiliate Member of the Governance Institute of Australia.


I have over 32 years' experience in company secretarial practice and corporate governance. I was formerly Group Company Secretary of Absa Bank (a major bank in South Africa), a position I held for 12 years until October 2007. My specific experience includes providing support to the board of directors and committees (agendas, packs, attending the meetings and drafting minutes), corporate governance advice (eg stock exchange rules and compliance), annual reports, director induction and training and board effectiveness evaluations.





I also have extensive experience in a wide range of industries including banking, insurance (both highly regulated), construction, healthcare, mining and property. I have a good understanding of the ASX and Australian Corporations Act requirements.

In 2007, I joined the senior team of CorpStat Governance Services (Pty) Ltd. The company provides outsourced company secretarial and governance advisory services. See [www.corpstat.co.za](http://www.corpstat.co.za)

I am a member of the Institute of Directors (IOD), a member of the Chartered Governance Institute's Technical Committee, a member of the Johannesburg's Stock Exchange (JSE) Company Secretary Forum and was formerly the JSE's accredited trainer in Company Secretarial Practice and Corporate Governance. I served on the IoD's Board Appraisal Panel for 8 years until 2018.

#### My key clients

Client name	Remarks
	McConnell Dowell is a construction company with its <b>head office in Melbourne</b> . The company has over 3,000 employees and has <b>operations in Australia, New Zealand and South-East Asia</b> . I conducted a board effectiveness evaluation for the company in 2022. See <a href="http://www.mcdgroup.com">www.mcdgroup.com</a>

 <p><b>MERAFE</b> RESOURCES</p>	<p>Merafe Resources is listed on the JSE. It is a mining company in the ferrochrome and chrome sector in a <b>joint venture with Glencore, a major global mining company.</b></p> <p>I have been company secretary on an outsourced basis for 8 years. See <a href="http://www.meraferesources.co.za">www.meraferesources.co.za</a></p>
 <p><b>Stefanutti Stocks</b></p>	<p>Stefanutti Stocks is a multi-disciplinary construction group based in Johannesburg and listed on the JSE. <b>Most of its income is derived from outside SA, including the rest of Africa, Dubai and Qatar.</b></p> <p>I have been company secretary on an outsourced basis for 14 years. See <a href="http://www.stefanuttistocks.com">www.stefanuttistocks.com</a></p>
 <p><b>lenmed</b> Embrace every day</p>	<p>Lenmed is a <b>one of the largest healthcare groups in South Africa.</b> It has thirteen hospitals – ten in SA, one in Botswana, one in Mozambique and one in Ghana.</p> <p>I have been company secretary on an outsourced basis for 14 years. See <a href="http://www.lenmed.co.za">www.lenmed.co.za</a></p>
 <p><b>TEXTON</b></p>	<p>Texton is listed on the JSE. It is a property group with <b>investments in SA and the UK.</b></p> <p>I have been company secretary on an outsourced basis for 5 months. See <a href="http://www.texton.co.za">www.texton.co.za</a></p>

## References

Client and professional body references are available on request.



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