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Equity Trustees strengthens super business for growth in 2017

Equity Trustees Superannuation Portfolio Services (SPS) business is gearing to strengthen its position as the superannuation industry's premier provider of independent trustee services in 2017.

The Company began the year with the arrival of Mark Blair, formerly the head of KPMG's superannuation advisory business charged with task to develop the SPS business, and ends 2016 with the appointment of Grant Currie as Head of Superannuation Trustee Services.

"The development of the business has been with a clear focus on ensuring we deliver even better value and service to our clients. We have strengthened our core business as a trustee, and as a result we are better enabled to service our partners - currently 13 superannuation funds with assets of around \$3bn, said Mark Blair, SPS General Manager.

Grant joins a team of 13 superannuation trustee professionals based in Melbourne and Sydney, bringing additional risk and compliance expertise, financial services experience and a significant track record in the superannuation industry.

He has previously held positions with responsibility for risk and compliance with the Rio Tinto Superannuation Fund, the HESTA Super Fund, Guild Insurance and Emergency Services Super and AXA.

Mr Blair concluded: "Since 1888 Equity Trustees has been entrusted with the preservation, growth and inter-generational management of wealth. Superannuation is a critical component of the wealth held by all Australians and we are excited about the prospect of the year ahead when we can extend our fully independent trusteeship for the benefit of more Australians."

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Equity Trustees was established in 1888 for the purpose of providing independent and impartial Trustee and Executor services to help families throughout Australia protect their wealth. As one of Australia's largest and oldest listed independent trustees, we offer a diverse range of services to individuals, families and corporate clients including asset management, estate planning, philanthropic services, corporate trustee, and Responsible Entity (RE) services for external Fund Managers.

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