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## Kelly O'Dwyer joins Equity Trustees Board

Equity Trustees (ASX: EQT) today announced the appointment of The Hon. Kelly O'Dwyer as a non-executive director to its Board.

Ms O'Dwyer was the Liberal Party member for the Federal seat of Higgins in the Australian Parliament for nine years. Prior to entering Parliament, Ms O'Dwyer worked in law, government and finance.

Elected at age 32, she was the youngest woman appointed to Cabinet and the first woman to serve in Cabinet in a Treasury portfolio, and the only Cabinet Minister to have given birth during her period in office.

"Kelly's track record in leadership and senior roles at the highest level of government is well recorded," said Chair Carol Schwartz AO, who is the first woman in the company's 130+ year history to be appointed Chair of the Equity Trustees Board in October last year.

"She brings a combination of deep understanding of government and policy, with a focus on economic and tax policy, Australia's financial regulatory framework, corporate governance, risk and compliance, and significant leadership experience. Her experience in reforming the superannuation system and financial services, and her work in the areas of entrepreneurship and innovation will bring new perspectives and ideas to the Equity Trustees board room," said Ms Schwartz.

"Ms O'Dwyer brings an exceptional combination of talent and expertise. I welcome her on behalf of the Board of Australia's leading trustee company and look forward to working with her."

The company also announced that Mr Jim Minto is stepping down from the Board today: "We thank Jim for his significant and valuable contribution to Equity Trustees during his four years of service, including his work as Chair of the Board Risk Committee," Ms Schwartz concluded.

*More about the Equity Trustees Board is available in our [Investor Centre online](#), where the ASX Announcement of this appointment is also available.*

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