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Equity Trustees adds Head of Risk and Superannuation Strategy to growing Superannuation Trustee Office

Australia's leading specialist trustee company Equity Trustees has appointed Justin Watts to the newly created position of Head of Risk and Superannuation Strategy in its expanding national Superannuation Trustee Office (STO).

"Justin brings exceptional knowledge and experience of prudential supervision across businesses in the superannuation, insurance and banking sectors, having spent more than seven years at the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA)," said Mark Blair, Executive General Manager of the Superannuation Trustee Office.

The STO is currently growing to meet increasing demand, recently launching a recruitment campaign and making a number of senior appointments, including [David Warren](#) in client relationship management, and [Sue Everingham](#) to the Equity Trustees Superannuation Limited Board.

"In a heightened risk environment, the role of a super trustee is amplified because of its responsibility of looking out for the best interests of hundreds of thousands of members investing in superannuation for their retirement. It makes sense that Australia's leading specialist trustee, with 130 years of trustee experience, is so well placed to serve this very important specialist area of trusteeship in superannuation," Mr Blair said.

Justin was at APRA from 2012, moving from analyst roles into leadership in the team focussed on supervisory activities across a range of APRA regulated industries including superannuation, insurance and banking. Prior to APRA he held a management position at the Endeavour Foundation. He has a Master of Applied Finance, BA (Commerce) and BA (International Business).

"We congratulate Justin on his appointment and welcome him to Equity Trustees, where his strong experience in risk management and governance, and deep understanding of regulatory and compliance in superannuation will further strengthen our service to members," Mr Blair concluded.

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