

# NGS SUPER ARE HERE TO HELP

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Our team of dedicated Customer Relationship Managers are here to keep you and your staff well-informed and supported.



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As Manager of Customer Relations, Brent leads the team based in NSW & QLD in providing a wide range of organisations with tools and opportunities to better tailor their superannuation arrangements for the benefit of their staff.

Brent holds an Advanced Diploma of Financial Planning and a Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance. He also has a Certificate IV in Workplace Assessment and Training. Working in the superannuation industry since 1999, Brent has held positions in management and financial planning at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Lifestyle Financial Services and Principal Edge Corporate Care before joining NGS Super in 2015.



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James has been with NGS Super since January 2017 and holds a Bachelor of Science and an Advanced Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning).

With over 15 years' experience in client-servicing roles across companies including Westpac, Asteron Life and Standard Pacific Financial Consulting (Suncorp Group), James is passionate about enabling members with the knowledge and tools required to make the simple, smart decisions now that will make a big difference to their retirement.



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Karel joined NGS Super as a Customer Relationship Manager in July 2017. She holds a Diploma of Financial Planning and is currently completing a Graduate Certificate in Financial Planning.

Karel has been working in the financial services industry for over 7 years. Beginning her career at the National Australia Bank, she quickly discovered her interest in superannuation and moved to its wealth management arm, MLC. Karel then held a Financial Adviser role at Shadforth Financial Group Ltd where she specialised in Workplace Super and Employee Benefits.



**LAURIE BUCHANAN**

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Laurie has worked in the financial services industry, and specifically superannuation, for over 20 years. He has obtained an Advanced Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning) and worked with National Mutual (now part of AMP) before moving into a Financial Planner role at Westpac Financial Planning and then a Superannuation Adviser role with VicSuper.

Laurie has been with NGS since 2006, not only assisting our members in Victoria, Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania, but leading the Customer Relations team across all four states.



**ANTHONY ARNDT**

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Anthony joined the NGS Customer Relations team in January 2015. Anthony has over 12 years of dedicated superannuation experience having worked for VicSuper, Guild Super and Care Super in Relationship Management and Financial Adviser roles.

With a Bachelor of Business and Certified Financial Planner® qualifications, Anthony is passionate and committed to delivering high quality service while helping members to maximise their retirement benefits.



**Our team** (continued)



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Elaine started at NGS Super in 2000 and has over 19 years' experience in the superannuation industry. Initially employed with Independent Schools Superannuation Trust (ISST), Elaine has several qualifications including an Advanced Diploma of Financial Services in Superannuation and a Diploma of Financial Services in Financial Planning.



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Having worked in the superannuation industry for over 22 years, Thomay is consistently guided by a strong 'member's best interest first' principle. Thomay holds an Advanced Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning) and is the Chair of Women in Super (SA), as well as a member of the Mother's Day Classic Organising Committee. Thomay held relationship manager roles at SuperPartners and Local Super before joining NGS in 2013.



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Since joining the financial services sector in 1999, Ben has gained a wealth of experience within financial planning and managerial positions within Macquarie Bank and Consultum Financial Advisers. Holding a Bachelor of Management and an Advanced Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning), Ben's extensive knowledge enables him to provide quality advice to our members. Ben joined the NGS Super team in June 2018.



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Tana joined NGS Super in 2012 following the merger of UCSuper and NGS Super. Tana has over 20 years' experience in the financial services industry with a Diploma of Financial Services (Superannuation) and a Diploma of Financial Planning. Tana finds fulfillment in guiding our members through the intricacies of superannuation and the options available to them. She is committed to helping both members and employers through financial education and empowerment.



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Graham joined NGS Super in May 2019 following the merger of QIEC Super and NGS Super. He holds a Diploma of Superannuation and is currently working towards a Diploma of Financial Counselling. Graham has over 33 years' experience in the financial services industry with over 11 years in banking as Manager for Westpac and Commonwealth, 15 years as Managing Partner of North Coast Finance and 7 years as Client Services Manager for QIEC Super.



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Kate joined NGS Super in 2019 following the merger of QIEC Super and NGS Super. With a Diploma of Superannuation Management, Kate brings over 19 years' superannuation experience to her Customer Relationship Manager role at NGS. Kate worked in administration for Corporate Benefits, consultancy for AON Employee Benefits and product management for QSuper before moving to QIEC Super in 2017.



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Rob joined NGS Super in 2019 following the merger of QIEC Super and NGS Super. Rob has obtained a Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Advice), an Advanced Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Advice) and a Certificate in Post-Retirement Planning. Rob joined the Financial Services Industry in 2010 after working as a teacher in South Australia and Queensland for 20 years. His career path has seen him work for Collins Mann Private Wealth Management, QSuper and QIEC Super in advice, education and customer service roles.