

WE ASSIST YOU. WE GUIDE YOU. REBUILD YOUR FUTURE



SR GROUP

CITY PACIFIC GROUP



To our Potential Group,

When we meet with our clients they are at their most vulnerable. They are cynical, fatigued and betrayed. Most of all they feel failed by a system which should have prevented this fraud from occurring.

You have had a hideous crime perpetrated on you. Sadly some of you have mortgaged your homes, borrowed the funds or used your life's savings to become investors. It is our job to try and get your money back.

We don't pursue matters that we do not believe we have a more than fair chance of achieving a successful outcome. We work hard.....we ask you to do the same when calculating your losses. We need you to be diligent. Hang in there.....the road may get bumpy but it is worth trying.

Above all else - we will fight for you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susie Bennell', with a small dot at the end of the line.

Susie Bennell

## ABOUT THE SR GROUP

Our mission at the SR Group is to help people confronted with financial distress and the burden of debt. The SR Group assists a wide variety of clients and groups, traversing many different industries. In the past twelve months, we have represented groups ranging in size from 6 to 2000 people, achieving results for a diverse range of people including small business owners, families and retirees. In 2018, the SR Group lodged claims in excess of \$400 million on behalf of its clients.

The SR Group has two different businesses which operate under the SR umbrella;

- **SRG Advisory** - provides services to businesses and individuals experiencing financial distress, tailoring advice and developing specific strategies to improve their financial outlook.
- **SRG Advocacy** - specialises in working with victims of deceptive and misleading conduct and financial fraud, with the aim to achieve compensation for groups and individuals.

### SRG ADVOCACY

SRG Advocacy is dedicated to seeking justice for those who have been unfairly treated or compromised by systematic failures. We work to start recovery proceedings for our clients and then negotiate to achieve compensation for our clients through a variety of avenues, including but not limited to:

- External Dispute Resolution
- Mediation
- Group Actions
- Settlements & Payouts.

We currently represent 11 different victim groups in their pursuit of compensation and redress.

The SR Group investigates a number of potential avenues for compensation, ultimately deciding on the most efficient and achievable path of action for our clients. We work to recover losses and protect your rights as an individual in the group.

As of February 2019, the SR Group has made claims to the Royal Commission on behalf of 2385 clients, highlighting instances of misconduct in Authorised Deposit Institutions (ADI's), Ponzi schemes, Financial Planners, Managed Investment Schemes and more.

### OUR MANAGING DIRECTOR SUSIE BENNELL

I founded the SR Group 8 years ago, and have been advocating for victims of financial fraud, deception and misconduct, seeking justice and redress for those who have been wronged. I act with integrity, discretion and a result-orientated approach, with a commitment to achieving the best outcomes in a caring and compassionate manner. I am passionate about the good health of the financial system and the landscape of the financial sector for everyday Australians.



# OUR PROPOSAL

The Pacific First Mortgage Fund was an investment opportunity that was meant to prepare you for financial security and prosperity. Instead, your funds have been tied up in an illiquid fund for a decade, with only small distributions trickling through to investors every so often. You have watched as the value in the fund was squandered by a raft of imprudent management decisions and related party transactions, whilst ASIC remained reticent and unresponsive. It is not fair nor right to make Australian investors, largely seeking to fund their retirement, pay for the sins and failures of others.

We know that investors in the Pacific First Mortgage Fund are generally older Australians who are approaching or have passed retirement age. That is why we are launching recovery proceedings with a view to achieving success as expeditiously as possible. Our team has identified a number of potential avenues of action for City Pacific investors to seek compensation from.

## WHAT WE WILL DO

### March - August 2019 (4 month period)

- Provide a dedicated staff team to your matter, including a staff member as your first point of contact for all communications;
- Establish a committee to represent and broadcast the wishes of the Pacific First Mortgage Fund investors;
- Review and evaluate all supplied documentation;
- Evaluate all avenues of potential recovery;
- Enquire and liaise with all necessary third parties, including but not limited to Balmain Trilogy Investment Management Pty Limited, the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA), the Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) and the Department of Finance;
- Calculation of principal losses, and interest, to form a quantum to be claimed on each investors behalf;
- Preparation and submission of a claim to the Compensation Scheme of Last Resort (CSLR), seeking compensation for principal losses, and interest;
- Preparation and submission of a claim to the Scheme for Compensation for Detriment caused by Defective Administration (the CDDA Scheme) seeking compensation for principal losses, and interest; and
- Weekly updates on progress.

### August 2019 onwards

- Liaise and negotiate with the CDDA and/or Compensation Fund on your behalf in any settlement, compensation or redress discussions that arise; and
- Upon completion of the submissions, the SR Group will actively lobby all sides of parliament to ensure our submission is given ample consideration.

## WHAT WE CHARGE (GST INCLUSIVE)

Members	Month 1	Month 2	Month 3	Month 4
1 to 2000	\$198.00	\$198.00	\$198.00	\$198.00
2000+	\$135.00	\$135.00	\$135.00	\$135.00

All amounts are GST inclusive.

Fees charged will be as displayed above. Further to the above fees, the SR Group claims 10% on all monies recovered for their clients. This is only payable in the event of a client receiving funds.

## WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY

### Prime Trust Group – Investment Fraud Victim

I wish to say thank you for all your hard work you you have done. My wife Pauline and I really appreciate this. We joined the “fighting group” because we felt we were in good hands, mainly yours, and this still applies. And we are fully aware that we may not get any compensation. But we know that we could not ask for better representation.

Marcello D’Amico

### Trio Capital Group – Superannuation Investment Victim

“I wanted to thank you very much for your professionalism and hard work that you have and are doing relating to the Trio Compensation Claim. I have seen a draft submission to the Royal Commission which Russell sent me, and it is an excellent document.

You have pulled together the complexity of the situation so well and professionally. The outcomes of the Royal Commission have been extraordinary, and really rattled the bars of the establishment - including the regulators. It will be most interesting to follow it for the remainder of the year. Thank you once again for your hard work. I’m sure I would be speaking on behalf of the investors as well; we really had nowhere else to go.”

Helen James

### CBAG Group – Cash Back Action Group – Financial Fraud Victim

“Susie and her team at the SR Group met us at a low point in our life, when trust was not a resource we had in great quantities. Their patience and persistence in building a relationship with us, until we believed they could make a difference, has had life changing results.

We had initially pursued the more traditional approach when trying to unravel the mess that we found ourselves in, but the “system” does not look after the individual, and it was clear from early on, that we were not going to have a positive outcome. The SR Group was clear right from the start that there were options available to us that had not been pursued, and they had the contacts and the action orientated attitude to make it happen. Even though the goal posts have shifted during the process, their initial quote has not changed, and the outcome has remained a consistent priority. I cannot recommend Susie and her team highly enough to act with integrity, discretion and with a results orientated approach. They have pulled the bunny out the hat for our family, and for that I will be forever grateful”

Nicky R



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