

People



Hugh MacNally, B.A., ASIA, F Fin, OPM (Harvard) – Executive Chairman

Hugh MacNally is a Director and the founder of PPM. He has been a full time executive of PPM since 1995 and is responsible for management of portfolios and the analysis of investment opportunities. Prior to founding PPM, Hugh was the Investment Manager at Permanent Trustee Company, where he had responsibility for the management of a large number of portfolios on behalf of estates, individuals and charities, totalling \$900 million. Prior to joining Permanent Trustees, Hugh was an analyst and later investment manager at APA Assurance covering Australian and New Zealand equities. Hugh commenced his career in 1984 and has completed the OPM management course at Harvard Business School.



Peter Reed, B.Ec., LLB – Portfolio Manager, Director

Peter Reed joined PPM in July 2007 to undertake stock research and portfolio management. Peter spent 8 years during the 1990's with Chase Bank in Tokyo managing international equity portfolios. In 2001 Peter relocated back to Australia, where he joined QBE Insurance, managing Australian and New Zealand equity portfolios. Funds under management within the investment division at the time were in excess of \$15 billion. Peter holds a bachelor degree in Economics and Law from the University of Sydney.



Ian Hardy, B.Ec., F Fin – Portfolio Manager, Director

Ian Hardy is a Portfolio Manager responsible for research and investment management of fixed interest and equities. Prior to joining PPM, Ian was Chief Investment Officer at Centric Wealth where he was responsible for \$400 million in funds under management. Before Centric, Ian played a key role in building the Challenger business, where he was Group Chief Investment Officer with responsibility for more than \$8 billion in funds. Ian has over 30 years investment management and research experience.



Franklin Djohan, B.Bus., MBA, CPA – Portfolio Manager

Franklin Djohan joined PPM in 2005, and is responsible for investment research for both domestic and international equities. Prior to joining the investment management team, Franklin was the fund accountant responsible for portfolio accounting and reporting at PPM. Franklin holds a Bachelor of Business in Accounting and Finance, and a Master of Business Administration. He is a member of Certified Practising Accountants (CPA).



Neil Sahai, B. Applied Finance, Dip of Project Management – Dealer/Analyst

Neil Sahai joined PPM in 2018 as a dealer and Analyst. He has a Bachelor of Applied Finance graduate with a strong academic record. He works closely with the Portfolio Managers and Analyst team undertaking trading duties for the portfolios as well as undertaking investment research and working in an active support role to the investment team in its day-to-day activities. Prior to joining PPM, Neil worked with Ausgrid as a Project Estimator. Neil is currently undertaking the Chartered Financial Analyst qualification.



Max Herron-Vellacot, B.Bus. – Analyst

Max Herron-Vellacott joined PPM in April 2017 as a recent graduate from the Queensland University of Technology where he completed a Bachelor of Business majoring in Finance. Max joined PPM as a member of the investment team as an Analyst. Max is responsible for undertaking investment research and working in an active support role to the investment team in its day-to-day activities. Prior to joining PPM on a full time basis Max completed a summer internship with PPM. He is currently completing a Masters of Data Science.



Samantha O'Connor, B.Bus., B.Laws, GIA Cert – General Counsel & COO, Director

Samantha O'Connor joined PPM in 2015 as General Counsel and Chief Operating Officer and is responsible for PPM legal, governance, business planning and strategy. Prior to joining PPM Samantha was a Vice President, Business Planning Unit Head, for Citibank in Japan for 5 years. Samantha started her career in funds management at Bankers Trust Australia Limited in 1995 as a Legal Manager and then as a Regulatory Manager and Project Financer at Bankers Trust and later at Burnvoir Corporate Finance. Samantha holds a Bachelor of Business (Marketing) and a Bachelor of Laws. She is a member of the Governance Institute of Australia.



Ajay Reddy, AdvDip Bus Mgt and Marketing, Dip Acctg – Operations Manager

Ajay joined PPM in September 2017 as Operations Manager and is responsible for overseeing portfolio administration. Prior to joining PPM, Ajay was Head of Operations at Altair Assets Ltd, where he was responsible for managing and implementing operational functions. Earlier career roles were within the insurance and shipping. Ajay has over 16 years of management and operations experience in a challenging and rapidly changing financial environment.



Jill May, B Bus, DFP (1-4) – Senior Client Relationship Manager

Jill joined PPM in 2018 as a Senior Client Relationship Manager and is responsible for managing our client relationships in conjunction with the Portfolio Managers, to ensure that each of our clients individual needs are met. Jill has deep experience in the financial industry and is highly skilled at developing and managing client relationships. Jill has worked at Volt Bank, FIIG Securities, Laminar Group and Lehman Brothers where she held senior sales and advisory roles in wholesale and institutional distribution. Jill holds a Bachelor of Business in Banking and Finance from Monash University and a Diploma of Financial Planning via Kaplan Professional, incorporating RG 146 compliancy.



Laura McInerney, BBS – Client Relationship Manager

Laura joined PPM in 2020 as a Client Relationship Manager and is responsible for managing our client relationships in conjunction with the Portfolio Managers, to ensure that each of our client's individual needs are met. Laura has a strong understanding of private clients and advisers with a wealth of experience in Relationship Management and Client Service. Laura has worked at Northern Trust, Macquarie Bank, Rabobank, FIIG Securities, and Xplore Wealth where she held senior client service and relationship Management roles in retail and institutional client services and distribution. Laura holds a Bachelor of Business Degree Major - Accountancy & Finance, Minor - Commercial Law from The University of Limerick in Ireland.



Alexandra Versi, B.Com – Corporate Accountant

Alex joined PPM in 2017 as the Corporate Accountant. She is responsible for all corporate accounting and financial compliance reporting. Prior to joining PPM, Alex was an operations analyst at PM Capital where she was responsible for the daily unit pricing of their funds and listed investment vehicles, dealing with various derivative products and operational complexities. She has also worked as an intermediate accountant for BDO in the Private Clients team, specialising in High Net Worth (HNW) individuals and property trusts.



Brooke Learmonth – Office Manager

Brooke Learmonth joined PPM in December 2017 as the Office Manager and is responsible for the smooth and efficient management of PPM's corporate office. Brooke has a diploma of Business Administration and has experience in working in administrative roles for over five years.