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GSFM appoints Stephen Miller as investment consultant

Grant Samuel Funds Management (GSFM) has appointed industry expert Stephen Miller to the newly created role of investment consultant. Mr Miller will be based in Sydney and report to CEO Damien McIntyre.

Mr Miller was most recently head of fixed income, managing director, and fund manager, with BlackRock Investment Management (Australia), a position he held for 14 years.

Prior to this he spent 14 years as executive vice president, head of fixed income at Bankers Trust in Sydney and New York. He was also a research officer with The Treasury, a position he held for six years.

In the new role, Mr Miller will be assisting GSFM accelerate its positioning of Payden & Rygel and the various fixed income strategies in the institutional and retail markets.

He will also work with retail clients more generally and will assist Mr McIntyre and executive chair Andrew McKinnon as they add more partners to the GSFM fund manager line-up.

"Steve brings over 30 years' experience in international economic and policy analysis to the GSFM team, both at the official level during his time with Treasury and as a senior portfolio manager of domestic and international bond portfolios at leading international fund managers," said Mr McIntyre

"Steve can draw upon his many years of fixed income experience and his extensive network in the institutional and retail markets in his new role with GSFM.

"As a respected market commentator, his knowledge of the global economic and financial markets will prove invaluable as he works with the fund manager partners in the GSFM stable, helping them to recognise new opportunities and enhance their local offerings," Mr McIntyre said.

Mr Miller started with GSFM on 5 February 2018. He holds a Bachelor Degree (First Class Honours), Economics from the University of Western Australian, and a Masters in Economics from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

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Grant Samuel Funds Management (GSFM) was established in July 2007 as a subsidiary of the Grant Samuel Group. In November 2016 CI Financial Corp (CI) purchased an 80 per cent stake in the business. CI is a diversified wealth management firm with fee earnings assets of CAD\$86.3 billion (as of 31 December 2017). GSFM specialises in marketing funds managed by high calibre local and international managers to Australian and New Zealand institutional and Australian retail investors.

Since 2007, GSFM has formed alliances with following investment managers to distribute investment products to Australian and New Zealand clients:

- New York based Epoch Investment Partners, Inc.
- Tribeca Investment Partners, a successful Australian boutique manager
- Payden & Rygel, a Los Angeles based independent investment management firm
- Triple Three Partners Pty Ltd (Triple3) a boutique research and investment management firm
- Munro Partners, an independent global equity manager
- London-based Man Group plc

GSFM currently represents \$6.5 billion funds under management (as at 31 December 2017). For more information about GSFM please visit the website: <u>www.gsfm.com.au</u>