LGFA Director Profiles

Craig Stobo-Independent Chair

Educated at Waitaki Boys High School Oamaru; Graduated BA (Hons) First Class in Economics Otago; completed the Advanced Management Programme, Wharton Business School, Philadelphia. He has worked as a diplomat, economist, investment banker and CEO of BT Funds Management. He has authored reports to the NZ Government on the taxation of portfolio investment which led to the PIE regime; and the creation of NZ as a funds domicile. He currently chairs the listed company AMP NZ Office Ltd, and OCG Consulting Ltd and has private equity interests in financial services and other businesses. Married with three children and lives in Auckland.

Abbey Foote-Independent Director

Graduated LLB(Hons)/BCA Victoria. She has worked as a financial services senior solicitor in NZ, corporate senior legal advisor in the UK, a manager for Pharmac in NZ, an independent director and Chair of an NZX listed company, and CEO of an internet start up company. Currently a director of Transpower and trustee of The Cathedral Grammer School. Married with three children and lives in Christchurch.

Phil Cory Wright-Independent Director

Graduated LLB (Hons) Victoria. Solicitor of High Court of NZ and Australia. He is a licensed sharebroker. He has worked as a corporate finance director for NZ investment banks on debt and equity projects. Currently director of South Port and strategic advisor to clients in the energy and infrastructure sectors. Married with two children and lives in Auckland.

John Avery-Independent Director

Graduated LLB Auckland. He was a staff member and became managing partner and then chairman of Hesketh Henry. He has also worked as a director of The Warehouse, several start up businesses and an industry cooperative. Currently independent director of NZ Guardian Trust, Fund Managers (Auckland), Signify, Regional Facilities Auckland, Comprehensive Health Services and Spider Tracks and NZ School of Dance. Married with three children and lives in Auckland.

Paul Anderson-Director

Graduated M Comm (Hons) First Class in Accountancy Canterbury. He has worked as an analyst for NZ Treasury, treasury project manager for a UK bank, Head of Commercial and Finance and then Manager of Retail Data Provisioning at Telecom NZ. Currently GM Corporate Services for Christchurch City Council. He lives in Christchurch.

Mark Butcher-Director

Graduated B Comm Auckland. He has worked for NZ banks in their Treasury divisions (including sales and trading in interest rate products), as Chief Investment Officer of the Rotorua Energy Charitable Trust, and as General Manager of Alliance Bernstein NZ Ltd. Currently Treasurer of Auckland City. He has three children and lives in Auckland.