

Board Nominations



Louise Anne SULLIVAN

In my corporate life, I am an experienced executive and legal adviser with a unique mix of legal, compliance, leadership, governance, risk and operational skills. For nearly 8 years I have been General Counsel of a large, privately (family) owned Group of entities, "Cleary Bros", which has diversified business interests in the quarrying, construction and associated industries. Part of my responsibility continues to be to assist the Board implement and maintain an effective governance framework and tools for better decision making, risk minimisation and compliance across its business.



- Strong academic qualifications and legal experience across a broad spectrum principally with a commercial / corporate focus. I hold a First Class Bachelor's and two Masters of Law together with post-graduate qualifications, for example, in Corporate Governance, Mediation and OH&S.
- A track record as both a legal adviser and business leader to have the ability to think strategically, show initiative and look at the "big picture" whilst maintaining an eye for detail. Ability to explain and convey complex legal concepts and risks in a non-technical and practical manner.
- Proven commercial acumen and ability to build solid relationships with all Management levels and stakeholders. Known for personal and professional integrity, a strong communicator and problem-solver who demonstrates influence with colleagues and other stakeholders up to Board level and throughout an organisation.

District and Club Level:

Now age 34, I started playing netball as a Modified (age 7/8) with my primary school club and continued throughout my teenage years as a Sutherland District (u/14, u/15's) and school representative player and then into A-Grade before taking a more "social" approach to the game prior to and since the birth of my children (aged 5 and under). Since the earliest times I have always thoroughly enjoyed being involved in all facets of netball; from regular umpiring and junior coaching to serving as Club President (St Catherine's Netball Club). Today I continue to assist casually as a volunteer member of the SSNA Discipline Sub-Committee but with the knowledge that many further years of my life will likely be spent at the local netball courts as a coach, umpire and spectator given I am the mother of three young daughters. I am personally attracted to serving as a Board member with Netball NSW principally as a result of my lifelong passion and experience from the grassroots level, but also to be able to offer my business ability to think strategically and provide practical commercial guidance.

Policy Statement:

Spending many years at the ground level of netball (as a player, umpire, coach), in later club administration, I hold a deep affection for our game. I would see my role as a Board member to be assisting my fellow directors, in a collaborative manner, to think strategically in arriving at practical decisions (after an effective engagement of all stakeholders) in promoting, marketing and advancing our game.

I feel very passionate about fostering the game of netball. I would seek to engage with all our interested parties, primarily those at the grassroots / club level, and through a strong governance framework deliver an enhanced future for it, and in turn the enjoyment of all players from social to elite level. It would be a very exciting time to be part of what Netball NSW is aiming to achieve.

I am 34 years, married with three young daughters. I am employed as General Counsel (lawyer) of a large quarrying and construction business where I provide guidance on a wide range of legal, governance, compliance and strategic issues. A graduate of the Royal Military College, Duntroon (Reserve, 2006) I have also continued to serve as an active Army Reservist for 10+ years.