



## APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR

**13 December 2024:** Nine Entertainment Co. (ASX:NEC) has appointed experienced company director Timothy Longstaff as an independent Non-Executive Director, effective 1 January 2025.

A chartered accountant who commenced his career in audit, Mr Longstaff has extensive experience in investment banking from more than 25 years with leading global firms including Deutsche Bank and JP Morgan. He has a strong background in advising Australian and international companies on strategic and transformational M&A projects, and in debt and equity capital markets. After his career in investment banking, Mr Longstaff held a senior role with a Cabinet Minister in the Australian Government in both the Trade, Tourism & Investment portfolio, and the Finance portfolio.

Mr Longstaff is a non-executive director on the Boards of ASX-listed companies Inghams, Perenti and Aurizon, where he serves as chair of the company's Audit, Governance and Risk Management Committee. He is also a non-executive director of Snowy Hydro and member of the Australian Government's Takeovers Panel.

Mr Longstaff is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia and New Zealand, a Member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, and a Senior Fellow of the Financial Services Institute of Australia.

On his appointment, Mr Longstaff will join the Board's Audit and Risk Management Committee. The Committee Chair Samantha Lewis intends to retire from the Nine Board before the end of the 2025 financial year after eight years as an independent Non-Executive Director. On her retirement, it is anticipated that Mr Longstaff would succeed Ms Lewis as Chair of the Audit and Risk Management Committee as part of a planned Board succession process.

Nine Chair Catherine West said "Tim is a first-class appointment for the Nine Board. His deep financial skills plus expertise from a successful career in investment banking will provide valuable insights for the Board as we progress our strategic transformation of Nine. Further, his public sector experience at the highest levels of government will also neatly complement the existing skills and expertise on the Board. As both a Board member and a Committee Chair since 2017, Sam has made an outstanding contribution to Nine. The timing of Sam's retirement from the Board will give Tim ample time for a smooth transition into the role as Chair of the Audit and Risk Management Committee."

Timothy Longstaff said "I have a great belief in the importance of Australian voices in news, drama and entertainment. Nine is a storied Australian company whose diversity of assets, strong market standing, and leverage of content, data and digital leave the business well positioned to adapt to the changing media and marketplaces landscape. There is immense change underway across Nine and I look forward to working with the Board and management to build on the momentum and drive sustained success."

This announcement was authorised for lodgement by the Company Secretary of Nine.



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