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Media Release

Hunter Burton Capital again sponsors Outstanding Finance Reporting Award

Australia's media charity, the Kennedy Foundation, today announced that investment fund Hunter Burton Capital is again sponsoring the Kennedy Awards' coveted Outstanding Finance Reporting Award in the 7th year of the NRMA Kennedy Awards for Excellence in Journalism.

The Hunter Burton Capital Award for the leading finance journalist will be presented at the annual NRMA Kennedy Awards for Excellence in Journalism at the Australian Turf Club's Royal Randwick on August 10 this year.

Hunter Burton Capital, through its founder and chief executive officer, Mr David Campbell, became the major sponsor of the prestigious Outstanding Finance Reporting Award last year when the Australian Financial Review's Michael Smith, Angus Grigg and Lisa Murray took out the award.

Announcing Hunter Burton Capital's second-year sponsorship of Outstanding Finance Reporting, Kennedy Foundation chairman Simon Dulhunty thanked the fund for its commitment to the Kennedy Awards and the foundation which stages the annual gala night.

"I said last year that since the inaugural awards in 2012 we had been seeking a partner for this finance reporting award with strong links to the financial sector and it was an honour for the foundation to welcome Hunter Burton Capital, a respected and experienced Sydney-based hedge fund, as official sponsors," Mr Dulhunty said.

"It is abundantly clear that coverage, broadcasting and detailed analysis of world financial trends and movements is a significant player in media coverage throughout the country every year.

"News of financial issues is keenly sought in Australia every day – morning and evening – and the Kennedy Foundation again welcomes Hunter Burton Capital as major sponsor of our Outstanding Finance Reporting Award."

Mr Dulhunty said the Outstanding Finance Reporting Award would continue to acknowledge quality print and electronic reporting by media professionals who work around the clock to keep regional and urban areas up to date on the latest financial events dramatically impacting on their lives and shaping their futures.

Hunter Burton Capital founder and chief executive officer, Mr David Campbell, said Hunter Burton Capital was very proud to once again be sponsoring the Finance award and to be supporting a "worthwhile charity in the Kennedy Foundation".

"We recognise all too well that timely, relevant and honest reporting of local and international finance issues is integral to the efficient working of the markets," Mr Campbell said.

"We are also happy to support the Kennedy Foundation in its work during a time of major change in the industry."

The Outstanding Finance Reporting category was a key award at the first Kennedy Awards in 2012 and has been a much sought after trophy at every gala ceremony since, attracting entries from the cream of Australian journalism with Adele Ferguson, Deb Masters and Mario Christodoulou, a Fairfax/Four Corners team, winning in 2014.

Ferguson and Ruth Williams from Fairfax Media took the Spirax in 2015 and in 2016 a joint Fairfax/Four Corners crew, including Journalist of the Year Adele Ferguson, was announced the winner for an investigation that exposed unscrupulous tactics used by Comminsure.

Ferguson was the Kennedy Awards' Journalist of the Year in 2014 and in 2016 took out the inaugural Coca-Cola Australian Journalist of the Year Award – in part for her work on the Comminsure story - which carried a \$25,000 prize, the richest prize in Australian Journalism.

The NRMA Kennedy Awards for Excellence in Journalism, named in honour of legendary Sydney crime reporter Les Kennedy who died aged 53 years in 2011, continue to recognise the finest media professionals and those who have put so much back into the industry.

The awards are supported by the Kennedy Foundation, a registered charity to administer a benevolent fund for media professionals facing hardship as well as to other charitable organisations.

Entries officially open

NB: Entries will be officially open for the 2018 NRMA Kennedy Awards, including the \$25,000 prize for the *Australian Journalist of the Year*, on May 16.

From May 16 entries for work in the current financial year must be submitted to kennedyawardsjudging@gmail.com by close of business (6pm) July 1.

Entry is **\$40** for every **unrelated** item of work and **\$40** for a series of **related** stories (maximum five). The finalists in all 33 competitive categories will be announced on Friday, July 27.

The \$40 entry fee helps cover the Kennedy Foundation administration costs. Gala ticket purchases for the August 10 awards can be completed via our home page at www.kennedyawards.com

About Hunter Burton Capital

Hunter Burton Capital is a global macro hedge fund based in Sydney. Founded in 2011 by David Campbell and Tony Bradley it invests in the currencies of the global developed nations. In an environment of historically low global interest rates it aims to generate superior consistent returns for its clients.

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