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#### Education and Accreditation

- Fellow of Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand (CAANZ)
- Member Australian Restructuring Insolvency and Turnaround Association (ADITA)
- Member Australian Institute of Company Directors (AICD)
- Bachelor of Commerce
- Master of Commerce
- Registered Liquidator
- Registered Trustee in Bankruptcy

### **Areas of Expertise**

Kate's industry and strategic expertise focuses these key markets:

- Financial Services
- Not-for-Profit & Public Sector
- Listed Company
- Property & Construction
- SME/Private Company

#### **Specialist Skills**

- Corporate recovery & insolvency
- Turnaround management and restructuring
- Business structuring and asset protection advice
- · Key stakeholder management
- Business investigations



# Kate Barnet

## Principal

Kate is a well-regarded financial professional and FCA with a 25+ year career in professional services. Kate has achieved successes in developing, evaluating and understanding complex financial transactions, optimising sustainable growth and increasing value to corporate entities. A proven, motivated leader with experience in assessing, restructuring businesses in an assorted range of industries. She has wide experience in a variety of businesses.

#### **Significant Engagements**

Restructure of fashion retailer Ginger and Smart through a formal VA process. The restructure facilitated the exit from non-performing retail stores that were not viable under existing rental structures, enabling the business to focus on growing its online channels and exploring international expansion.

Controlled wind down of the Australian operations of Continental Global Materials Handling, a manufacturer of bulk idlers and conveyor belts (predominately in for coal mines) on behalf or the ultimate US based holding company. The structured winding down, undertaking through a VA process facilitated a low impact structured closure of the significant manufacturing facility. The orderly and planed closure of the facility resulted in significant upside to the major US based secured creditor.

Restructure and divestment of a group of 40 child care centres including overseeing the ongoing operational aspects of the centres, licencing compliance, and staff management and mix, achieving a significant return to stakeholders.

Department of Health and Ageing Financial Assessments: Kate was a member of the team undertaking financial assessments of aged care providers. Kate's technical expertise in the identification of key risk factors for a business contributed to the development of a rigorous assessment methodology that focuses on the demonstrated financial capacity of a provider and their ongoing financial viability - thereby reducing risk to the Department.