## FINANCIAL SERVICES PRACTICE OF THE YEAR

# 11 or more Employees

#### **AWARD SUMMARY**

This award honours a professional practice that has demonstrated exceptional performance across all facets of their operation. The winning business will have excelled in client service, innovation, professional development, and ethical practice, setting a benchmark for excellence in the financial advice industry. Recognising a superannuation related or financial advice practice that has demonstrated excellence:

- Evidence of client satisfaction and growth.
- · Innovative practices and services.
- · Community engagement and industry contribution.
- Candidates can self-nominate or be nominated.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

This award is open to financial practices operating in Australia during the 2024 calendar year. Candidates can self-nominate or be nominated by others.

#### **ASSESSMENT CRITERIA**

Submissions will be evaluated based on responses to the following criteria, with a maximum of 300 words per criteria:

- Client Satisfaction and Growth: Provide evidence of client satisfaction and growth, including testimonials, client feedback, and metrics demonstrating increased client base or retention rates.
- Innovative Practices and Services: Detail the innovative practices and services your business has implemented.
   Highlight specific examples that showcase how these innovations have benefited clients and improved business performance.
- Community Engagement and Industry Contribution:
   Describe your business's engagement with the community and contributions to the financial advice industry. Include involvement in community projects, industry associations, or initiatives that support the profession.
- Professional Development and Ethical Practice: Illustrate
  how your business promotes professional development
  and maintains high ethical standards. Provide examples of
  training programs, ethical guidelines, and how these have
  been integrated into your practice.

### SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Please provide the following supporting documents:

Metrics for the following periods: 1/1/2023 – 31/12/2023 and 1/1/2024 – 31/12/2024, including:

- Total revenue
- Client growth percentages
- Client retention rates

Candidates are encouraged to provide specific examples, metrics, and supporting documentation where applicable including testimonials or endorsements from clients, industry peers, or community organisations.