AFA Female Excellence in Advice Award 2011



Olivia Maragna

Olivia Maragna is General Manager of Aspire Retire, a multi award winning Brisbane-based financial planning firm, providing holistic financial advice and strategies on a fee for service basis. Having established the company in 2003, Olivia's passion for helping others through simple financial education and by delivering outstanding client relations has enabled Aspire Retire to grow rapidly despite the GFC. In 2005, aged 28, Olivia was the youngest person in Australia to receive Self Managed Superannuation Adviser accreditation along with Certified Financial Planner and Chartered Accountant status.

Olivia was named the 2008 Telstra Queensland Young Business Woman of the Year in recognition of her business achievements associated with Aspire Retire Financial Services, and for her community involvement. She followed up a consecutive win with the business being named Telstra 2009 Queensland's Small Business of the Year and she has continued her winning streak with also winning the 2010 & 2011 Quest Business Awards for their region, totalling 4 awards in 4 years. Olivia has been recognised in the industry as being proactive in areas of women's issues and has a strong focus on advising women in areas such as financial independence, divorce, recently widowed and insurance. She has recently been announced as a finalist in the AFA Female Excellence in Advice Awards.

Olivia holds a Bachelor of Business from QUT and is an accredited Self Managed Super Fund Specialist with the Self-managed Super Funds Professionals' Association of Australia (SPAA). Olivia is also a Certified Financial Planner with the Financial Planning Association of Australia (FPA) and a Chartered Accountant through membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants Australia.



Olivia Maragna with (from left to right) Brett Clark (TAL), Kerry Chikarovski (patron), Ian Cureton (MGSM), Richard Klipin (AFA).





