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KATE THIELE

Chair of

Kate joined the Maxima Board in January 2025.

Kate is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, Authorised Advisor with the Advisory Board Centre and is the Principal of consulting business, Klarity. She is also a governance and strategic planning facilitator and an executive mentor.

Kate brings board experience across the not-for-profit, private and government sectors. Previous Board and Committee experience includes serving as Chair of Skylight Mental Health, Deputy Chair of the University of South Australia's MBA Advisory Committee, a Board Member of the Royal Zoological Society of SA, a Trustee of the Adelaide Festival Trust and as a Committee Member of the Burnside Hospital Foundation.

Kate brings over 10 years' experience working in the disability sector, as the CEO of Guide Dogs SA/NT and as a Non-Executive Director for Minda Incorporated, where she also chaired the Nomination, Remuneration and Governance Committee.

She also brings board experience in the education sector as a Board Member of the Vocational Education, Employment and Training Board and as a Committee Member on a range of subcommittees for the South Australian Training and Skills Commission.

Kate was honoured as the Telstra South Australian Business Woman of the Year in 2015 and was the Winner of the National Telstra Business Woman of the Year's 'For Purpose and Social Enterprise' Award. She is also a recipient of a Harvard Club of Australia Fellowship, bestowed to undertake the Strategic Perspectives in Nonprofit Management Program, at Harvard University.

Kate's academic and professional qualifications include:

- » Certified Advisor, Advisory Board Centre
- » The Science of Wellbeing Certificate - Yale University
- » Fellow Australian Institute of Company Director
- » Social Leadership Intensive, Social Leadership Australia
- » Master of Business Administration, University of South Australia
- » Company Directors Course Diploma, Australian Institute of Company Directors
- » Diploma of Applied Science

Kate's current board and committee positions:

- » Chair, Adelaide Crows Foundation
- » Director, Australian Sports Foundation
- » Board Member, Access 2 Place