PROTECTIVE SMSF ESTATE PLANNING



Protecting Family
Wealth for Generations

with Grant Abbott LightYear
Training Group





"There is more than \$400Bn in SMSF death benefits which will be transferred over the next 25 years and much of it will be contested.

The question for all SMSF advisers is do you want to risk being involved in litigation - directly or indirectly or prefer to go the Protective SMSF Estate Planning route?"



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Five cases of hundreds from Abbott & Mourly Lawyers files of disasters

- 1.SMSF with sole director company dies and no process to insert the Executor as a director
- 2.SMSF embroiled in four years litigation as the shares of the Trustee company were in the Executor's name but would not act for fear of legal repercussions
- 3. BDBN blew up because the planner had used a BDBN produced by their AFSL which did not match the required BDBN in the deed
- 4. Remaining spouse faced financial hardship as the pension was not reversionary and caught in family provisions claim
- 5. Ellisal's case where a lost deed was litigated for three years before a \$1 was paid out



Why is Protective Estate Planning is so important?

- There is more than \$4.2 Trillion to pass between generations over the next 30 years and \$400BN in SMSFs it is a booming gold mine for lawyers
- It is not just Wills but Trusts,
 Companies, SMSFs, Superannuation and even Joint Assets
 - And a simple Will or BDBN NEVER cuts it as the spouse may get re-partnered and on their death their assets go out of bloodline



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THE BIG SMSF ISSUES



- Cash flow on death how will the family survive
- What does the deed and constitution of the SMSF trust deed allow
- Does the client want to protect death benefits for bloodline
- Should a Leading Member
 Discretionary Trust be used
 not a SMSF for accumulation?





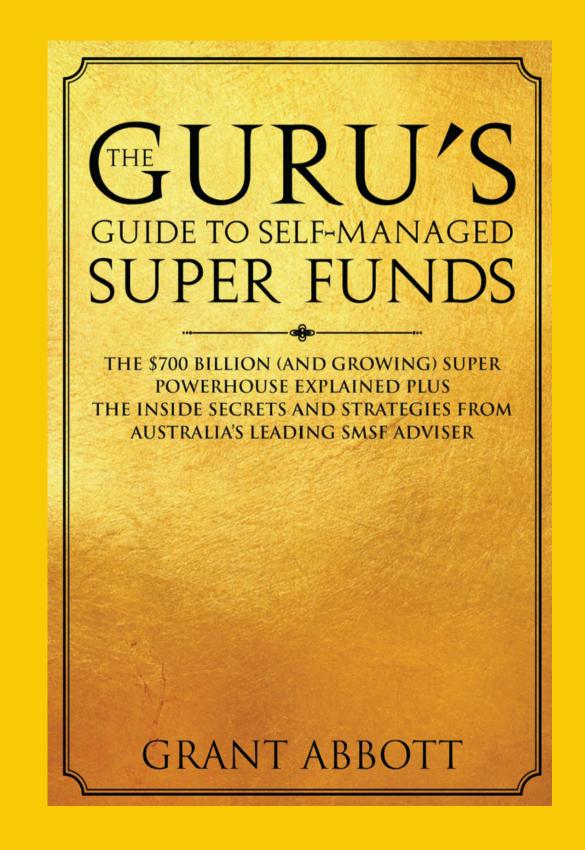
Who is a Dependant?



- SIS and Tax Dependants are different
- Tax dependants taxed at 17% on taxable component
- Malek and Faull's case
- ATO has released a number of Private Binding Rulings on the subject
- Review of ATO ruling: <u>Adult</u> children as dependants

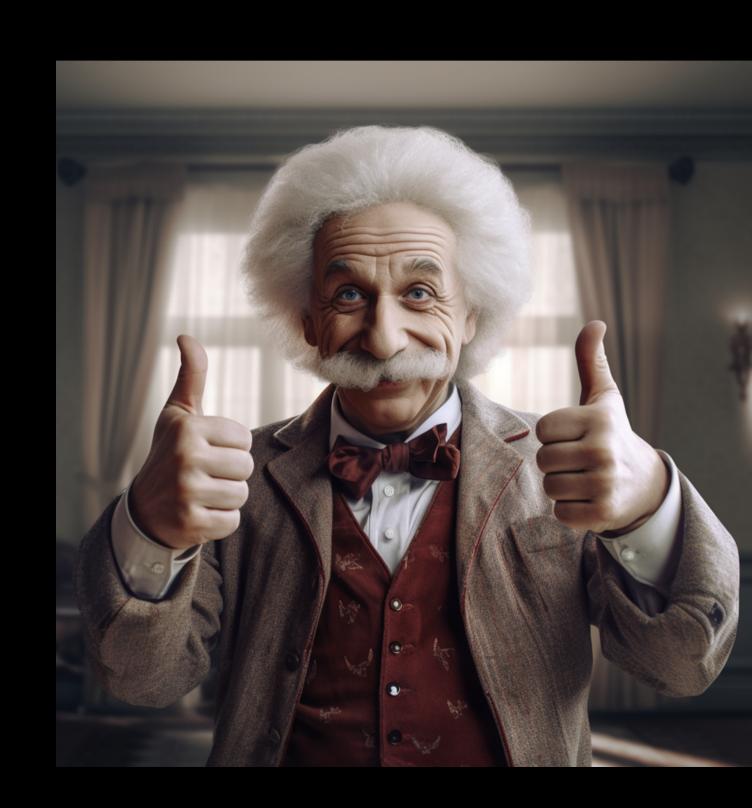
Auto-reversionary pensions

- Auto-reversionary pensions must be established according to the Governing Rules of the Fund
- As the pension passes directly to the next beneficiary its protect from family provisions claims(including notional estate)
- Can go multi-generational look for dependants
- Provide instant cash flow on death
- But caught up in Family Law and Bankruptcy



BDBN or SMSF Will with a TT - Benefits

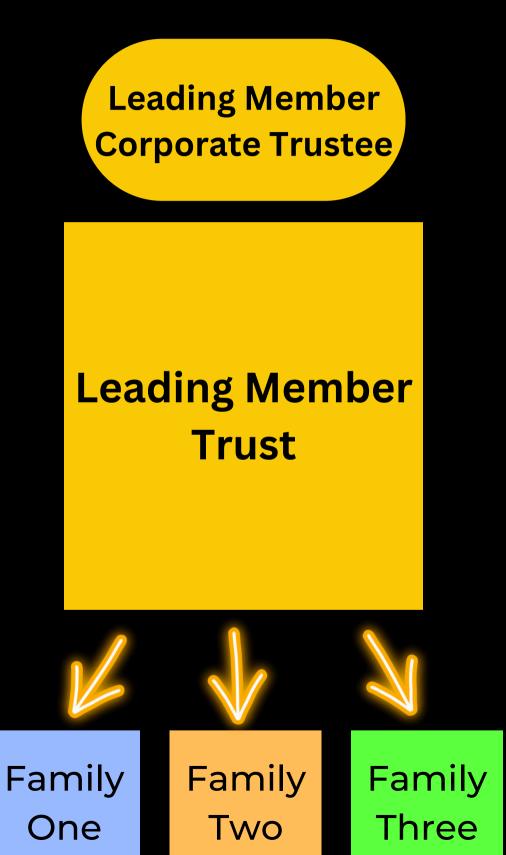
- Asset protection
- Protect against family provisions claims
- Can be limited to bloodline beneficiaries
- Provide tax benefits for minors
- Protect against bankruptcy, litigation and family law
- Longevity and even perpetual
- Control rests with Appointors
- Flexibility with income and capital streaming



Multi-Generational Leading Member Trust to complement SMSF

Line of Succession

- LMA
- Successor LMA
- 2nd Successor
 LMA
- 3rd Successor
 LMA



- More than a Discretionary Trust
- Built to protect family wealth for bloodline
- The key is the Leading Member Appointor (LMA)
- Important to have a line of generational successor LMAs
- Multi-generational and forever
- Holds all of the family wealth
- On death it splits into family groups appointors and trustees
- No resettlement if you convert in line with ATO rules TD2012/21

Wrap Up

Make sure you are in the Strategist Division of LightYear Docs where all the good documents are kept SMSF Will with TT launched on 7 August webinar LightYear Training Group is relaunched tomorrow Do the SMSF Specialisation course on demand for three days with me on 14 August - only one this financial year Generative Al is going to be SO BIG - please be in front of it and do the four week series Check Abbott & Mourly Lawyers Linked-In page which is dedicated to a strategic theme from problems to solutions each week