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Slater & Gordon and National Seniors Australia sign partnership agreement

National law firm Slater & Gordon and National Seniors Australia (NSA) have entered into a partnership that will see nearly 300,000 seniors across the country being able to access discounted legal services.

Slater & Gordon Managing Director Andrew Grech said the new partnership would give NSA members access to the firm's specialised legal services at affordable prices.

"We are delighted to have formed this partnership agreement with National Seniors Australia," Mr Grech said.

"Slater & Gordon has a strong history of working with various membership groups, such as unions and not-for-profit organisations to give average Australians access to high quality legal services. Working with senior Australians through this partnership with National Seniors is a natural extension of that philosophy."

Mr Grech said NSA members would receive priority access to the firm's specialised legal services and in many instances would receive discounted services, from reduced hourly rates to free initial consultations.

"Slater & Gordon lawyers will be able to assist NSA members with a range of matters from conveyancing to wealth protection, retirement income issues to the drafting of a will and advice on more complex matters such as compensation claims or estate litigation," he said.

"We can also assist members with business transaction needs; particularly members who are business owners or operators."

Mr Grech said Slater & Gordon had created a dedicated 1800 phone number for the new service and appointed a staff member in each State to oversee the delivery of quality services to NSA members.

National Seniors Australia chief executive Michael O'Neill said the organisation represented people aged 50 years and over and was the largest of its kind in Australia with a membership of 295,000 and growing.

"Legal services sometimes have a reputation for being out of the ordinary senior's reach, so we are pleased to offer our members an affordable yet specialised service."

NSA is a not-for-profit membership based community organisation which provides economic and social benefits for its members. The membership is divided between those in the workforce, age and carer pensioners and self funded retirees.

For further information seniors can visit www.slatergordon.com.au or phone 1800 157 295. To become a National Seniors member visit www.nationalseniors.com.au or call 1300 76 50 50.

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