



## **Court of Appeal**

From 1 July 2011, the Judges of the Court of Appeal will no longer wear gowns in Court. This change brings the practice of the Court of Appeal into line with that of the Judges of the Supreme Court. The Judges of the Court of Appeal have consulted with the New Zealand Law Society and the New Zealand Bar Association about the position of counsel. Both indicated a preference for counsel to continue to wear gowns when appearing in the Court of Appeal. The Court will adopt that position and counsel should therefore robe for all appearances in the Court of Appeal, as they have in the past. This is also consistent with the practice that counsel robe when appearing in the Supreme Court.