

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND  
WHANGAREI REGISTRY**

**I TE KŌTI MATUA O AOTEAROA  
KI WHANGĀREI TERENGA PARĀOA ROHE**

**CIV-2017-485-420**

UNDER	the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011
IN THE MATTER OF	an application by Te Whānau Whero for orders recognising Customary Marine Title and Protected Customary Rights

On the papers

Counsel: P J Wilson for applicant

Minute: 27 July 2022

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**MINUTE OF CHURCHMAN J**

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[1] In the Court's case management conference (CMC) minute of 15 June 2022 in relation to the Whangārei CMC, the Court granted leave to the applicant in this proceeding pursuant to r 4.52 of the High Court Rules 2016 for a new named applicant to be added to this proceeding as a result of the passing of an original named applicant, Mr Takapari Waata.

[2] A formal application has been received supported by an affidavit from Mrs Hohi (Sophie) Riini. Mrs Riini is the sister of the late Takapari Waata and the aunt of the other named applicant, Ms Joanne Walters.

[3] The application asks that Mr Waata's name remain on the application, in the same manner as the name of the late Mr Edwards remained as an applicant in the Te Whakatōhea case,<sup>1</sup> with Mrs Riini's name to be added alongside that of her niece, Joanne Walters.

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<sup>1</sup> *Re Edwards (Te Whakatōhea No 2)* [2021] NZHC 1025.

[4] I am satisfied that there is no prejudice to any party from making the order sought. I note that the application confirms that all known parties have been served at the time of filing in accordance with r 4.52(3). There has been no opposition to the order sought.

[5] Accordingly, I grant the application in the terms sought.

[6] The applicant also seeks a High Court fee waiver in relation to the need to file the application. This is an appropriate case for such a fee waiver and accordingly I grant it.

**Churchman J**