

MINUTE OF HARVEY J
[Nelson Case Management Conference]

Schedule

CIV-2017-485-167 Te Rūnanga o Rangitāne o Kaituna

CIV-2017-485-171 Tahuaroa-Riwaka Houra Whānau

CIV-2017-485-172 Tahuaroa-Watson Whānau

CIV-2017-485-182 Henare Tahuaroa-Watson Whānau

CIV-2017-485-218 Ngāti Koata

CIV-2017-485-251 Rangitāne o Wairau

CIV-2017-485-266 Ngāi Tu-ahu-riri

CIV-2017-485-280 Ngāi Tahu Whānui

CIV-2017-485-365 Te Atiawa o Te Waka-a-Maui

CIV-2017-485-171 Tahuaroa-Riwaka Houra Whānau; CIV-2017-485-182 Henare; Tahuaroa-Watson Whānau; CIV-2017-485-218 Ngāti Koata; CIV-2017-485-251 Rangitāne o Wairau; CIV-2017-485-266 Ngāi Tu-ahu-riri; CIV-2017-485-280 Ngāi Tahu Whānui; and the Waitaha Executive Grandmother Council

[1] These six applicants do not require directions at this time. These applications are accordingly adjourned to 2027. I also note the memorandum filed by the Waitaha Executive Grandmother Council as an interested party who does not seek any directions. Their request for a differing adjournment is not required for an interested party.

CIV-2017-485-172 Tahuaroa-Watson Whānau ; CIV-2017-485-167 Te Rūnanga o Rangitāne o Kaituna; and CIV-2017-485-365 Te Atiawa o Te Waka-a-Maui

[2] The Tahuaroa-Watson Whānau want to seek allocation of hearing time for their application. Their first memorandum of 10 August 2026 reported that these efforts have been frustrated over the last year due to being unable to contact two other applicants, Te Rūnanga o Rangitāne o Kaituna and Te Atiawa o Te Waka-a-Maui.

[3] Mr Castle had previously been instructed by Ms Bradley for Rangitāne o Kaituna. He has been unable to obtain instructions for more than a year and seeks leave to withdraw as counsel. In the circumstances, leave is granted.

[4] Justin Carter has contacted the Court as lead applicant for Te Atiawa o Te Waka-a-Maui. He seeks to be excused from the CMC and the application be adjourned to 2027.

[5] Since filing her memorandum, Ms Black has had contact with both of the applicants in question. Further hui are planned to progress matters. The Tahuaroa-Watson Whānau now seek a direction that a memorandum updating all three applications is to be filed by 1 October 2026. On this basis, they seek to be excused from the CMC.

[6] It is important that applicants collaborate to progress matters where they have overlaps. I direct these three applicants to file a memorandum, preferable jointly, updating the Court on progress by 1 October 2026

[7] This CMC was recently rescheduled from 31 August to 25 August 2026. I thank counsel of rather preparedness to move the CMC date at short notice. As all parties now seek to be excused from the CMC, it is accordingly vacated.

Harvey J