



Supreme Court of New Zealand | Te Kōti Mana Nui o Aotearoa

Monday 17 August – Wednesday 19 August 2026

The Rt Hon the Chief Justice, The Hon Justice Ellen France,

The Hon Justice Williams, The Hon Justice Kós and

The Hon Justice Cooke

Registrar: Jordan Marr

Venue: Auckland High Court, Courtroom 11

10:00am

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Michael John Smith

D Salmon KC, M Heard, N Coates and R McMenemy

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Attorney-General

J Hodder KC, J Prebble, K Gaskell and D Ranchhod

Te Hunga Rōia Māori o Aotearoa | The Māori Law Society as Intervener

M K Mahuika, H K Irwin-Easthope and B C K Murfitt

Te Kāhui Tika Tangata | Human Rights Commission as Intervener

A S Butler KC, R A Kirkness and H Z Yáng

Civil Appeal Hearing

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