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THE COURT OF APPEAL OF NEW ZEALAND

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WEDNESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2026

COURT OF APPEAL – COURTROOM ONE
PERMANENT COURT
THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE COURTNEY, THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE WHATA, THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE JOHNSTONE
REGISTRAR: S UNDERWOOD

10:00am
CA144/2025 & CA147/2025 (to be heard together)
CA144/2025

Kevin Paul Sunde (R E Harrison KC, G K Atmore, J R Wain)
Appellant

v

The Family Court at Waitakere And Ors (A M Powell, O Kiel, C C H Alan, J W H Little, P U V Lavus, K Hursthouse, T P Mullins, E F Armstrong, R M Jacobs)
Respondents

CA147/2025

Kevin Paul Sunde (R E Harrison KC, G K Atmore, J R Wain)
Appellant

v

Marina Anne Sunde And Ors (J W H Little, P U V Lavus, K Hursthouse, T P Mullins, E F Armstrong)
Respondents

Van Bohemen J [2025] NZHC 202
Appeal from High Court dismissing Family Court judgments debarring appellant from defending claims for failure to comply with unless order, and upholding claims based on lack of capacity and undue influence in relation to the parties' aunt.

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