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Wellington High Court – [2 Molesworth Street, Wellington](#)

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Dunedin High Court – [1 Stuart Street, Dunedin](#)

Sitting Hours:

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Lower Court Judgments cited in this list may be found at the following links (if publicly available):

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Court types:

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COURT OF APPEAL FIXTURE LIST – MAY 2026

Session Week: Monday 4 May to Friday 7 May

Date	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 1	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 2
Monday 4 May		
Tuesday 5 May	<p>Court: French P, Courtney J, Katz J, Mallon J, Thomas J</p> <p><u>CA823/2024</u> Bailey Richard George MESSERVY (J R Rapley KC) v The King Sentence - 17 years 6 months' imprisonment with a minimum period of imprisonment of 7 years Dunningham J <i>Clarification of the methodology to be applied in youth murder sentencing, in light of divergent approaches in the High Court.</i></p>	<p>Court: Whata J, Edwards J, Collins J</p> <p><u>CA27/2025</u> Peter Work And Anor (J Heatlie, J P Wood, G Jones) v IAG New Zealand Limited (P J L Leman, C M Stevens, B R D Cuff, K E Weekley) Isac J [2023] NZHC 3428 <i>Appeal from High Court decision on unsuccessful insurance (house fire) claim.</i></p>
Wednesday 6 May		<p>Court: Whata J, Edwards J, Collins J</p> <p><u>CA27/2025</u> Peter Work And Anor (J Heatlie, J P Wood, G Jones) v IAG New Zealand Limited (P J L Leman, C M Stevens, B R D Cuff, K E Weekley) Isac J [2023] NZHC 3428 <i>Appeal from High Court decision on unsuccessful insurance (house fire) claim.</i></p>
Thursday 7 May	<p>Court: French P, Katz J, Ellis J</p> <p><u>CA476/2022</u> William Perenara EDMONDS (W C Pyke) v The King Conviction & Sentence - 17 years imprisonment Tomlinson DCJ <i>Raises an issue of general importance concerning denial of family and friends entry to courthouse during trial</i></p>	
Friday		

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Circuit Week: Monday 11 May to Friday 14 May

Date	Divisional Court – Wellington, Courtroom 1 Court: Thomas J, Peters J, Radich J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 1 Court: Courtney J, Harland J, Robinson J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Campbell J, Powell J, Tahana J
<p>Monday 11 May</p>	<p><u>CA409/2025</u> Kaiyah GILBERT (J H C Waugh) v The King Conviction & Sentence –18 months intensive supervision Collins DCJ</p> <p><u>CA556/2025</u> D (A J Bailey, R J T George) v The King Conviction – 4 months community detention Savage DCJ</p> <p><u>CA523/2025</u> Antanas Peter ATKOCAITIS (J D Dalton) v The King Sentence - 5 years and 9 months' imprisonment Webby DCJ</p> <p><u>CA563/2025</u> V (E J Forster) v The King Sentence – 9 years imprisonment Cathcart DCJ</p>	<p><u>CA232/2025</u> Darrell Stone (R D Butler, T P Refoy-Butler, P R Symonds, S Jeffs) v Rebecca Ann Stone & Anor (J W Johnson, C Chung, S T Dymond, C Jiang) Tahana J</p>	<p><u>CA443/2024</u> Michael George MEAD (R A Barnsdale) v The King Conviction - 9 months home detention Saunders DCJ</p> <p><u>CA52/2026</u> V (P K Hamlin) v The King Suppression: Refusal to grant permanent name suppression Jagose J</p> <p><u>CA120/2025</u> Andrew Michael SMITH (M W Ryan) v The King Sentence - 9 Years and 3 Months Imprisonment Eaton J</p>
<p>Tuesday 12 May</p>	<p><u>CA667/2025</u> New Zealand Educational Institute Te Riu Roa Incorporated (M S Smith KC, A T I Skyes, J O Kirton-Luxford) v Minister of Education (H W Ebersohn, R Douglas) Bodt J [2025] NZHC 2694</p>	<p><u>CA290/2023</u> Roger Haare Charles PIKIA (A F Pilditch KC) v The King (P J Morgan KC) Application for Costs Wylie J</p> <p><u>CA699/2025</u> The King v B (K R Pascoe) Question of Law Hikaka DCJ</p>	<p><u>CA335/2025</u> LJ Group New Zealand Limited (G I Q Credo, S Moore, J Z Ewart) v New Zealand Capital Management Limited And Anor (H K Taylor, S R G Judd) Paulsen AJ [2025] NZHC 1071</p>

Date	Divisional Court – Wellington High Court, CR 3 Court: Thomas J, Peters J, Radich J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 1 Court: Courtney J, Harland J, Robinson J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Campbell J, Powell J, Tahana J
Wednesday 13 May	<u>CA70/2025</u> R (A C Creswell) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 11 years imprisonment Lawson DCJ	<u>CA428/2023</u> D (N P Chisnall KC) v The King Conviction & Sentence - 6 years and 4 months imprisonment Winter DCJ <u>CA690/2024</u> Romney LAVEA (J E L Carruthers) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 2 years 9 months imprisonment Thomas Evangelos DCJ <u>CA793/2025</u> Colin Hugh GILLIES (N S Leader) v The King Sentence - 2 years 6 months' imprisonment Davey DCJ	<u>CA542/2025</u> Brian Robert Ellis (W C Pyke) v The New Zealand Law Society (S S McMullan, J R Ah Koy) Brittain AJ [2025] NZHC 2137 <i>Appeal from decision declining to set aside bankruptcy notice</i> <u>CA174/2025</u> Fale MCCARTHY (S J Galler, J L Holden) v The King (M R L Davie) Conviction and Sentence - 9 months supervision, 100 hours community work, \$2000 emotional harm reparation D Sharp DCJ
Thursday 14 May	<u>CA475/2025</u> The Commissioner of Inland Revenue (M Deligiannis, K I S Naik-Leong) v Woodgate Limited (D P Weaver, T J Conder) Gwyn J [2025] NZHC 1763 <u>CA736/2025 – 45 mins</u> M (A M McPherson) v The King Sentence – 6 years 6 months imprisonment Bergseng DCJ <u>CA105/2026 – 45 mins</u> P (B Meyer) v The King Application for leave to appeal a Pre-Trial Ruling Jelas DCJ	<u>CA396/2025</u> Arena Alceon NZ Credit Partners, LLC (D J Chisholm KC, J C Caird, S L Hawksworth, S J Knott) v Damien Mitchell Grant And Anor (R J Hollyman JC, A J Peat, G D Simms) [2025] NZHC 1360 Lester AJ <i>Appeal and cross-appeal from decision declining to remove liquidators for lack of impartiality, but requiring them to take advice of senior counsel on the conduct of litigation.</i>	<u>CA196/2025</u> M (A G Speed) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 3 years imprisonment Davis DCJ <u>CA177/2026</u> L And Ors (in person) v The King Refusal to grant bail variation Wilkinson-Smith J <u>CA209/2025</u> L (M Ryan) v The King (N E Walker, T C T Riley) Pre-trial ruling: Admissibility of evidence Bennett DCJ <u>CA148/2025 & CA149/2025 (to be heard together)</u> <u>CA148/2025</u> Christopher Joseph O'Neill (In person) v Liz MacPherson (No appearance) <u>CA149/2025</u> Christopher Joseph O'Neill (In person) v Judicial Conduct Commissioner (No appearance) R 5.35 Strike Out Churchman J [2025] NZHC 306; [2025] NZHC 319
Friday			

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Circuit Week: Monday 18 May to Friday 21 May

Date	Divisional Court – Wellington, Courtroom 1 Court: Edwards J, Harland J, Robinson J	Divisional Court – Wellington Courtroom 2 Court: Ellis J, Powell J, Tahana J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Katz J, Peters J, Radich J
<p>Monday 18 May</p>	<p><u>CA189/2025</u> D (E J Forster, S B W Yee) v The King Conviction – 4 years imprisonment Gwyn J, Greig DCJ</p> <p><u>CA304/2024</u> Jeremy James McGuire (R J Latton) v Commissioner of Inland Revenue And Anor (K I S Naik-Leong, A Bloomfield, R E R Gavey) Johnstone J [2024] NZHC 883 <i>Appeal from decision awarding indemnity costs following proceedings being struck out as an abuse of process.</i></p> <p><u>CA717/2025 & CA718/2025 (to be heard together)</u> <u>CA717/2025</u> Rawiri David WERETA (Q Duff) v The King Application for extension of time to appeal Sentence – 6 years 8 months imprisonment Courtney J</p> <p><u>CA718/2025</u> Rawiri David WERETA (Q Duff) v The King Application for extension of time to appeal Sentence – 6 years 9 months imprisonment Venning J</p>	<p><u>CA748/2024</u> W (H V Bennett) v The King Conviction & Suppression - 10 months home detention Farish DCJ</p> <p><u>CA268/2025</u> Regan Philip BURRELL (M Starling) v Chief Executive of the Department of Corrections Extended Supervision Order – 3 years O'Driscoll DCJ</p> <p><u>CA785/2025</u> Brent Desmond COOK (P J Shamy KC) v The King Sentence – 2 years 1 month imprisonment Elkin DCJ</p>	<p><u>CA615/2024, CA627/2024, CA792/2024 & CA83/2025 (to be heard together)</u> <u>CA615/2024</u> Elisala TAITO (S Tait) v The King Sentence - 5 years & 3 months imprisonment Jelas DCJ</p> <p><u>CA627/2024</u> Tony IUVALE (T M Cooper KC) v The King Sentence - 9 years & 10 months imprisonment Jelas DCJ</p> <p><u>CA792/2024</u> Martin PRITCHARD (S T L Teppet) v The King Sentence - 12 years & 6 months' imprisonment Wilkinson-Smith J</p> <p><u>CA83/2025</u> Ronnie KIVALU (S Thode) v The King Sentence - 14 years imprisonment with a minimum period of imprisonment of 5 years 7 months Jelas DCJ</p>
<p>Tuesday 19 May</p>	<p>Divisional Court – Wellington High Court, CR3 3 Court: Edwards J, Harland J, Robinson J</p> <p><u>CA687/2024</u> Harkeet Singh WADHWA (R J Stevens) v The King Conviction & Sentence - 2 years 8 months imprisonment Harrop DCJ</p>	<p>Divisional Court – Wellington Courtroom 2 Court: Ellis J, Powell J, Tahana J</p> <p><u>CA266/2025</u> Marcus Paul PANAPA (C A Brook) v The King Conviction and Sentence - 13 years imprisonment McHerron J</p>	<p>Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Katz J, Peters J, Radich J</p> <p><u>CA652/2025</u> Mohit KATOCH (R A B Barnsdale) v The King Sentence – 2 years 8 months Skellem DCJ</p> <p><u>CA642/2025</u> K (J P R Scott) v The King Sentence – 4 years imprisonment Tomlinson DCJ</p> <p><u>CA508/2025</u> A v The King Bail appeal Powell J</p> <p><u>CA590/2025</u> Tuariki John Edward Delamere (In person) v Yingheng Liu (No appearance) Sussock AJ [2025] NZHC 2556</p>

Date	Divisional Court – Wellington, Courtroom 1 Mallon J, Harland J, Robinson J	Divisional Court – Wellington Courtroom 2 Court: Ellis J, Powell J, Tahana J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Katz J, Peters J, Radich J
Wednesday 20 May	<p><u>CA783/2025</u> Anthony Pratt Kaye (In person) v Judicial Conduct Commissioner (N M H Whittington) Gardiner J [2025] NZHC 3300</p> <p><u>CA9/2026</u> A (C W J Stevenson KC, O H Fredrickson) v The King Application for leave to appeal Pre-trial Ruling: Admissibility Grau J</p> <p><u>CA671/2025</u> Rowan William HURDEMAN (M G Robinson) v The King Sentence – 3 years 2 months imprisonment Northwood DCJ</p>	<p><u>CA494/2025</u> Rena JOYCE (C A Book) v The King Conviction and Sentence - Life Imprisonment with Minimum Period of Imprisonment of 13 Years & 9 Months Eaton J</p>	<p><u>CA736/2024</u> Ming Lim-Yip And Anor (V T M Bruton KC, P A Brown) v Steven Yip Lim And Ors (M C Harris, Z A Brenthall, D M Scholes) Blanchard J [2024] NZHC 3012 <i>Appeal from decision removing appellants as trustee of a family trust, and appointing an independent trustee.</i></p>
Thursday 21 May		<p><u>CA301/2025</u> Jodin Christopher CRAWFORD-COOKE (M A Stevens KC, S Gaskell) v The King Conviction & Sentence – 7 years imprisonment Turner DCJ</p> <p><u>CA539/2025</u> Laison Reihana KING (A J Bailey, R J T George) v Chief Executive of the Department of Corrections Extended Supervision Order – 10 years Osborne J</p>	<p><u>CA372/2024 & CA382/2024 (to be heard together)</u> <u>CA372/2024</u> Navneet SINGH (M E Goodwin) v The King Conviction - 5 months home detention</p> <p><u>CA382/2024</u> Mananbir SINGH (R M Mansfield KC, S I Mills) v The King Conviction & Sentence - 5 years imprisonment Downs J</p>
Friday			

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Session Week: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May

Date	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 1	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 2
Monday 25 May		
Tuesday 26 May	<p>Court: Courtney J, Thomas J, Whata J</p> <p><u>CA59/2025</u> Feed Families Not Pokies Aotearoa Incorporated (B J Marten, J B Orpin-Dowell, M R g Van Alphen Fyfe) v Secretary for Internal Affairs And Anor 9S P R Conway, N A El-Sanjak, M S Smith, J W Tru) Grau J [2024] NZHC 3719 <i>Appeal from decision declaring when gaming machine licenses are treated as ending following a period of inactivity.</i></p>	
Wednesday 27 May	<p>Court: Courtney J, Mallon J, Edwards J</p> <p><u>CA681/2024</u> Connection and Navigation Service Limited (T Mijatov, S A Davis, J K Scragg) v Accident Compensation Corporation (C J Curran, J A Tocher, F G Wilson) Grau J [2024] NZHC 2737 <i>Appeal from decision declining judicial review challenge alleging ACC acted unlawfully in failing to follow its own policy - requiring the use of ADR to resolve disputes with claimants.</i></p>	
Thursday 28 May	<p>Court: Palmer J, Whata J, Collins J</p> <p><u>CA480/2025</u> G (S J Gray) v The King Refusal to grant permanent name suppression Blanchard J, Yelavich DCJ [2025] NZHC 1633 <i>Refusal to grant permanent name suppression for one appellant following acquittal at trial and the other following a stay order after that appellant's death - relevance of tikanga in application.</i></p>	
Friday		