



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

March 2026

Tuesday 10th March 2026 Winkelmann CJ Ellen France J Williams J Miller J Cooke J	SC 30/2025 Tracey Ida Peka as personal representative of the estate of Ida Hawkins <i>N M Pender, G P McLay and G J Haszard</i> V Sam Te Hei <i>B J R Keith and A C Singleton</i> Civil Appeal Hearing
Grounds on which leave was granted	The approved questions are: (a) whether the Court of Appeal was correct to allow the appeal and dismiss the cross-appeal; and (b) whether the Court of Appeal was correct to refer Mrs Hawkins' claim back to the Victims' Special Claims Tribunal for reconsideration in light of its judgment.
Supreme Court leave application decision	PEKA AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF IDA HAWKINS v TE HEI [2025] NZSC 108 [25 August 2025]
Court of Appeal decision	[2025] NZCA 32
High Court decision	TE HEI v HAWKINS [2022] NZHC 3170 [30 November 2022]

<p>Thursday 12th – Friday 13th March 2026</p> <p>Winkelmann CJ Ellen France J Kós J Miller J Cooke J</p>	<p>SC 51/2025</p> <p>T (SC 51/2025) <i>J N Olsen and A Gruebner</i></p> <p>V</p> <p>The King <i>M J Lillico, J M Pridgeon and D Lye</i></p> <p>Criminal Appeal Hearing</p>
<p>Grounds on which leave was granted</p>	<p>The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to dismiss the appeal against conviction.</p>
<p>Supreme Court leave application decision</p>	<p>T (SC 51/2025) v R [2025] NZSC 117 [12 September 2025]</p>
<p>Court of Appeal decision</p>	<p>[2025] NZCA 136</p>

<p>Thursday 12th – Friday 13th March 2026</p> <p>Winkelmann CJ Ellen France J Kós J Miller J Cooke J</p>	<p>SC 114/2025</p> <p>Brian Timohey Mahoney <i>J E L Carruthers</i></p> <p>V</p> <p>The King <i>M J Lillico, J M Pridgeon and D Lye</i></p> <p>Criminal Appeal Hearing</p>
<p>Grounds on which leave was granted</p>	<p>The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to dismiss the appeal against conviction.</p>
<p>Supreme Court leave application decision</p>	<p><u>MAHONEY v R [2025] NZSC 187 [5 December 2025]</u></p>
<p>Court of Appeal decision</p>	<p><u>MAHONEY v R [2025] NZCA 490 [24 September 2025]</u></p>

<p>Tuesday 17th March 2026</p> <p>Winkelmann CJ Williams J Kós J Miller J Cooke J</p> <p>Venue: Christchurch High Court, Courtroom 12</p>	<p>SC 97/2025</p> <p>Nigel David Rimmer and Nicola Rimmer <i>V TM Bruton KC and L S B Acland</i></p> <p>V</p> <p>Carolyn Mary Wilton as administrator of the estate of David Rimmer <i>S P H Elliot and H K Gladwell</i></p> <p>Civil Appeal Hearing</p>
<p>Grounds on which leave was granted</p>	<p>The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to dismiss the appeal.</p>
<p>Supreme Court leave application decision</p>	<p>RIMMER v WILTON [2025] NZSC 150 [31 October 2025]</p>
<p>Court of Appeal decision</p>	<p>RIMMER v WILTON [2025] NZCA 374 [30 July 2025]</p>

<p>Thursday 19th March 2026</p> <p>Winkelmann CJ Ellen France J Williams J Miller J Cooke J</p> <p>Venue: Christchurch High Court, Courtroom 12</p>	<p>SC 88/2025</p> <p>Maxwell Richard Allen Parore <i>T J Conder</i></p> <p>V</p> <p>Attorney-General <i>A M Powell and A B Goosen</i></p> <p>Civil Appeal Hearing</p>
<p>Grounds on which leave was granted</p>	<p>The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to allow the appeal.</p>
<p>Supreme Court leave application decision</p>	<p><u>PARORE v ATTORNEY-GENERAL [2025] NZSC 185 [2 December 2025]</u></p>
<p>Court of Appeal decision</p>	<p><u>ATTORNEY-GENERAL v PARORE [2025] NZCA 328 [16 July 2025]</u></p>
<p>High Court decision</p>	<p><u>PARORE v THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL [2023] NZHC 1010 [1 May 2023]</u></p>

<p>Tuesday 31st March 2026</p> <p>Ellen France J Williams J Kós J Miller J Cooke J</p>	<p>SC 110/2025</p> <p>Jessica Mulford <i>N M Dutch</i></p> <p>V</p> <p>The King <i>R K Thomson</i></p> <p>Criminal Appeal Hearing</p>
<p>Grounds on which leave was granted</p>	<p>The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to dismiss the appeal against conviction.</p>
<p>Supreme Court leave application decision</p>	<p><u>MULFORD v R [2025] NZSC 194 [19 December 2025]</u></p>
<p>Court of Appeal decision</p>	<p><u>R v MULFORD [2025] NZHC 249 [21 February 2025]</u></p>
<p>High Court decision</p>	<p><u>MULFORD v R [2025] NZCA 444 [2 September 2025]</u></p>

Judges as seen from public seating

10 March 2026

The Hon Justice Miller	The Hon Justice Ellen France	The Rt Hon the Chief Justice	The Hon Justice Williams	The Hon Justice Cooke
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The Hon Justice Miller	The Hon Justice Ellen France	The Rt Hon the Chief Justice	The Hon Justice Kós	The Hon Justice Cooke
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The Hon Justice Miller	The Hon Justice Williams	The Rt Hon the Chief Justice	The Hon Justice Kós	The Hon Justice Cooke
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19 March 2026

The Hon Justice Miller	The Hon Justice Ellen France	The Rt Hon the Chief Justice	The Hon Justice Williams	The Hon Justice Cooke
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The Hon Justice Miller	The Hon Justice Williams	The Hon Justice Ellen France	The Hon Justice Kós	The Hon Justice Cooke
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Normal sitting hours: 10.00am – 11.30am, 11.45am – 1.00pm, 2.15pm – 4.00pm