



**CHIEF DISTRICT COURT JUDGE FOR NEW ZEALAND
TE KAIWHAKAWĀ MATUA O TE KŌTI-Ā-ROHE O AOTEAROA
Judge Heemi Taumaunu**

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MEDIA STATEMENT**

Local solution framework to be lifted in the Northland District Courts and in Manukau, Pukekohe and Papakura District Courts on 7 February

Chief District Court Judge Heemi Taumaunu has announced the local solution framework will be lifted on Tuesday 7 February in the Northland District Courts and in the Manukau, Pukekohe and Papakura District Courts.

The framework is currently in place in the Auckland Metro Courts (Auckland, Manukau, North Shore, Waitakere, Papakura and Pukekohe) and in the Northland District Courts (Kaitiāia, Kaikohe, Whangarei and Dargaville) as a result of the severe weather event. The framework means the work of the courts is rescheduled to ensure the highest priority cases across the region can be heard.

Chief Judge Taumaunu says subject to any further weather events, a decision has been made to lift the framework in the Northland Courts and the three Auckland courts from the opening of business on Tuesday 7 February.

A decision is likely later today about arrangements for the remaining Auckland courts next week – Auckland, North Shore and Waitakere.

The Chief Judge thanked everyone who has worked hard to reschedule cases and provide information to the affected parties

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