## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

SC 49/2007 SC 50/2007 [2007] NZSC 87

BETWEEN NEW ZEALAND MAORI COUNCIL

First Appellant

AND THE FEDERATION OF MAORI

**AUTHORITIES INCORPORATED** 

Second Appellant

AND TUMU TE HEUHEU ARIKI OF NGATI

TUWHARETOA Third Appellant

AND ATTORNEY-GENERAL

First Respondent

AND SIR GRAHAM LATIMER, PAUL

MORGAN, KINGI SMILER, JANET MASON, GREGORY FORTUIN AND

ANGELA FOULKES Second Respondents

AND TE PUMAUTANGA O TE ARAWA

**TRUST** 

Third Respondent

Court: Elias CJ, Blanchard and Anderson JJ

Counsel: H A Cull QC and K Ertel for First and Second Appellants

K S Feint for Third Appellant

D B Collins QC, H M Aikman QC and H M Carrad for First

Respondent

M G Colson and H M Brown for Third Respondent

Judgment: 8 November 2007

## JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

- A Leave to appeal is granted to all appellants.
- B The approved ground of appeal is whether the Crown was in breach of legal obligations owed to the appellants in entering into Te Pumautanga o Te Arawa Settlement.

## Solicitors:

Kathy Ertel & Co, Wellington for First and Second Appellants Feint & Co, Wellington for Third Appellant Crown Law Office, Wellington for First Respondent Buddle Findlay, Wellington for Second Respondents Bell Gully, Wellington for Third Respondent