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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

# I TE KŌTI MANA NUI O AOTEAROA

SC 39/2017 [2022] NZSC 57

BETWEEN S (SC 39/2017)

**Applicant** 

AND THE QUEEN

Respondent

Court: Glazebrook, O'Regan and Ellen France JJ

Counsel: Applicant in person

R E King for Respondent

Judgment: 10 May 2022

#### JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

- A The application for recall of this Court's judgment of 16 November 2017 (S (SC 39/2017) v R) is dismissed.
- B We direct the Registrar to reject any further applications related to this Court's judgment of 16 November 2017.

# **REASONS**

[1] Mr S has filed an application to recall this Court's judgment of 16 November 2017. That judgment dismissed his application for leave to appeal against a Court of Appeal judgment dismissing his appeal against conviction for sexual offending against a young family member. 2

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> S (SC 39/2017) v R [2017] NZSC 169 (Elias CJ, William Young and O'Regan JJ).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> S (CA361/2010) v R [2013] NZCA 179 (Stevens, Allan and Clifford JJ).

[2] Mr S has applied to recall this Court's judgment previously. That application was dismissed on 17 February 2022.<sup>3</sup> He has also unsuccessfully sought to have the judgment of the Court of Appeal recalled on more than one occasion and advanced other challenges to his conviction.<sup>4</sup>

[3] Mr S's current application for recall essentially raises the same grounds raised in his previous recall application. Those have already been considered and rejected by this Court.<sup>5</sup>

### Result

[4] The application to recall this Court's judgment of 16 November 2017 (S(SC 39/2017) v R) is dismissed.

[5] We direct the Registrar to reject any further applications related to this Court's judgment of 16 November 2017. Such applications would be an abuse of process.

Solicitors:

Crown Law Office, Wellington for Respondent

S (SC 39/2017) v R [2022] NZSC 7 (Glazebrook, O'Regan and Ellen France JJ).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> S (CA361/2010) v R [2013] NZCA 359 (first recall); S (CA361/2010) v R [2015] NZCA 259 (second recall); and S (CA361/2010) v R [2015] NZCA 358 (third recall).

Recall applications cannot be used to relitigate the reasons provided in the leave judgment: *Nuku v District Court at Auckland* [2018] NZSC 39 at [2].