

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

I TE KŌTI MANA NUI O AOTEAROA

SC 108/2025
[2026] NZSC 11

BETWEEN JULIUS TE HIVAKA
Applicant

AND THE KING
Respondent

Court: Winkelmann CJ, Miller and Cooke JJ

Counsel: R M Mansfield KC and J N Olsen for Applicant
M J Lillico and D Lye for Respondent

Judgment: 5 March 2026

JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

- A The application for leave to appeal is granted.**
- B The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to dismiss the applicant's appeal against conviction.**
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Solicitors:
Te Tari Ture o te Karauna | Crown Law Office, Wellington for Respondent