IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

I TE KŌTI MANA NUI O AOTEAROA

SC 76/2024
[2026] NZSC 12

BETWEEN		SOUTHERN CHEYENNE THOMPSON Applicant
AND		THE KING Respondent

Court: Ellen France, Miller and Cooke JJ

Counsel: S J Gray for Applicant
M J Lillico and B So 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 appeal.

REASONS

[1] In their submissions counsel should address the correct approach to manifest injustice under s 104(1A)(h) of the Sentencing Act 2002 and its application to the facts of this case.

[2] The application for leave to offer new evidence on appeal will be decided at the hearing of the appeal.

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