

**INTERIM ORDER PROHIBITING PUBLICATION OF NAME, ADDRESS,
OCCUPATION OR IDENTIFYING PARTICULARS OF APPLICANT UNTIL
3 JUNE 2026.**

**NOTE: DISTRICT COURT ORDER IN [2025] NZDC 6514 PROHIBITING
PUBLICATION OF NAME, ADDRESS, OCCUPATION OR IDENTIFYING
PARTICULARS OF CO DEFENDANT REMAINS IN FORCE. SEE
<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2011/0081/latest/DLM3360346.html>**

**NOTE: PUBLICATION OF NAME, ADDRESS OR IDENTIFYING
PARTICULARS (EXCLUDING OCCUPATION) OF COMPLAINANT
PROHIBITED BY S 203 OF THE CRIMINAL PROCEDURE ACT 2011. SEE
<http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2011/0081/latest/DLM3360350.html>**

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

I TE KŌTI MANA NUI O AOTEAROA

**SC 180/2025
[2026] NZSC 47**

BETWEEN J (SC 180/2025)
Applicant

AND THE KING
Respondent

Counsel: R J T George for Applicant
M J R Blaschke for Respondent

Judgment: 11 May 2026

JUDGMENT OF WILLIAMS J

**I make an order for interim suppression of the applicant's name,
address, occupation and identifying particulars until 3 June 2026.**

REASONS

[1] The applicant has filed an application for leave to appeal a decision of the Court of Appeal declining permanent name suppression.¹ The Court has received submissions from both parties on the application.

[2] After the applicant filed his submissions, a media report regarding the applicant was brought to the attention of counsel for the applicant. The article, and subsequent public attention (particularly on social media), has given rise to material that the applicant wishes to put before the Court of Appeal by way of an application for recall. The applicant requests that the present leave application to this Court be put on hold pending the outcome of any recall application to the Court of Appeal.

[3] I am satisfied that the present leave application should be adjourned until determination of any application to the Court of Appeal for recall.

[4] If the applicant elects not to file an application for recall in the Court of Appeal, counsel must immediately notify this Court. In any event, counsel for the applicant is to provide a memorandum to this Court on or before 29 May 2026 as to the status of the contemplated recall application.

[5] To avoid any risk of rendering the applicant's potential recall application nugatory, I make an order for interim suppression of the applicant's name, address, occupation and identifying particulars until 3 June 2026.

Solicitors:
Te Tari Ture o te Karauna | Crown Law Office, Wellington for Respondent

¹ *[J] v R* [2025] NZCA 655 (Cooke, Walker and Cull JJ).