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SUPREME COURT TO CONTINUE PUBLISHING WRITTEN SUBMISSIONS ON COURTSOFNZ WEBSITE

In early 2022, the Supreme Court introduced a practice of publishing written submissions, chronologies and outlines of argument for appeal hearings in the Supreme Court, with only limited exceptions. The practice was introduced as a trial, subject to review in the light of the experience of its operation in its first year.

Recently the Chief Justice sought feedback from the profession, which was overwhelmingly positive. In light of this the Court has now decided to continue the practice of publishing written submissions, chronologies and outlines of argument on an ongoing basis.

The 2022 trial was governed by the Supreme Court Submissions Practice Note 2021. The ongoing practice will now be governed by a new practice note, the Supreme Court Submissions Practice Note 2023. This has some minor changes from the 2021 Practice Note reflecting submissions made by professional organisations in response to the request for feedback.

The Supreme Court Submissions Practice Note 2023 can be found at <u>Supreme Court Submissions Practice Note — Courts of New Zealand (courtsofnz.govt.nz)</u>

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