



## Wellington High Court

The Wellington High Court building experienced damage in the 14 November 2016 earthquake. The damage is still being assessed by structural engineers. Until those assessments are completed the building will remain closed.

However, the High Court will continue to function. The Registry has been temporarily relocated. Hearings will be conducted at a number of alternative venues.

Until further notice the following arrangements will apply:

- As of Monday, 21 November 2016, the High Court Registry (including the probate team) will temporarily relocate to the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of the District Court (43-49 Ballance Street). Lawyers or members of the public wanting to file documents can do so there. All other contact details for the High Court, phone and email remain the same.
- From Monday, 21 November, Judges of the Wellington High Court, their associates and clerks will be based at the old High Court (Supreme Court).
- Rosterers and schedulers have allocated courtrooms for all fixtures for the week of 21 November 2016. Schedulers will meet each Tuesday to allocate courtrooms for the following weeks. Daily lists of fixtures and their locations will continue to be published on the Courts of New Zealand website <http://www.courtsofnz.govt.nz/going-to-court/calendar/daily-lists>.
- The Registry was closed under High Court r 3.4 from Monday, 14 November – Friday 18 November 2016 inclusive. HCR 1.18 will apply to that time period. Documents filed at other registries during that time have however been accepted for filing.

Hon Justice G J Venning  
Chief High Court Judge – Te Kaiwhakawā Matua  
21 November 2016