

# Hon David Parker

**Attorney-General**



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**MEDIA STATEMENT**

## Appointment of Associate Judge of the High Court

Auckland Barrister Peter Andrew has been appointed an Associate Judge of the High Court, Attorney-General David Parker announced today.

Associate Judge Andrew graduated from the University of Otago in 1984 with a BA and an LLB, and joined the Auckland Crown Solicitor's office, Meredith Connell & Co.

In 1990, after studying with the University of Kiel in Germany and graduating with an LLM in Public International Law, he joined the Auckland office of Russell McVeagh as a senior solicitor. He practiced in the employment law and commercial litigation fields.

From 1993 to 1999 Associate Judge Andrew was a Crown Counsel in the Treaty Issues and International Law Team at Crown Law, representing the Crown in public law litigation in the courts at all levels, and as a member of the Crown negotiating team for Treaty of Waitangi settlements in relation to Ngāi Tahu and Tūrangi.

He was the Treaty team leader and appeared frequently in the Waitangi Tribunal on historical and contemporary Treaty claims.

In 1999 Associate Judge Andrew left Crown Law to join the independent Bar. As a Barrister, he specialised in public law and civil litigation, including litigation over Treaty settlements and trust and equity litigation in the specialist Maori Land Courts.

He also has significant adjudication experience as a member of the Refugee Status Appeals Authority and the Weathertight Homes Tribunal.

The new Associate Judge will be sworn in on 23 March 2018 and will sit in Auckland.

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