CHAIR



John Hannan, DLA Piper, Auckland

John specialises in employment law, education law and commercial litigation. He has appeared in leading employment law cases in the Employment Court and Court of Appeal. John has acted for many Boards of Trustees and their insurers on employment, governance, privacy, human rights and student discipline matters. He leads the DLA Phillips Fox employment law team and is a Council member of Manukau Institute of Technology. John is a sitting Member of the New Zealand Teachers Disciplinary Tribunal.

SPEAKERS



Christine Chilwell, McElroys, Auckland

Christine specialises in insurance, education and employment law, and has considerable experience advising school boards of trustees and management on employment issues, governance and management, student issues and all areas of legal liability. She has appeared frequently in the Employment Relations Authority and Employment Court, as well as before the District and High Court. Before becoming a lawyer, Christine taught languages in secondary schools.



Martin Cocker, NetSafe, Auckland

Martin joined NetSafe as the Executive Director in March 2006 and is now a respected leader and speaker on all aspects of online safety. Before NetSafe he worked in the ICT industry for 12 years. Whether or not you consider him a technology nerd will depend on your own level of technology knowledge. To his mum he's practically Bill Gates. To Bill Gates, he's practically his mum



Richard Harrison, Harrison Stone, Auckland

Richard works with secondary principals through the Secondary Principals Association of New Zealand (SPANZ) as well as advising and representing Boards of Trustees on a range of student issues: enrolment, fees, discipline, privacy, human rights and stand-downs/suspensions. He has also been counsel in a number of leading cases in the High Court and Court of Appeal which addresses the student discipline procedures under the Education Act. These decisions have been instrumental in the redrafting of current guidelines issued by the Ministry of Education.

SPEAKERS



Simon Judd, Barrister, Auckland

Simon has 20 years' experience and has worked in law firms in Auckland and London. He was counsel for the student applicants in the cases, *Bovaird & BoT of Lynfield College v J* (2007-8), *D v Havill & BoT of Western Springs College* (2009) and *A v Hutchinson & BoT* of *Green Bay High School* (2014) that involved applications for judicial review of suspension, exclusion and expulsion decisions. He has acted as counsel for students at Board of Trustee meetings and at mediations and provides advice and assistance to Youth Law.



Marina Matthews, Chen Palmer, Auckland

Marina is a partner specialising in education and public policy. She has advised schools on statutory, regulatory and funding requirements issues. Marina has advised schools on implementation of government policies, including national standards. She has advised principals and Boards of Trustees at state and integrated schools on statutory interventions, including commissioners and statutory managers. Marina has over 12 years' experience providing advice in the education sector. She has previously worked for the Tertiary Education Commission and was Private Secretary to four Crown Ministers of Education. four Crown Ministers of Education.



Gretchen Stone, Harrison Stone, Auckland

Gretchen specialises in employment and education law. She works with secondary principals through SPANZ and with primary principals as the Honorary Solicitor for Auckland Primary Principals Association (APPA). Gretchen has considerable experience advising Principals and Boards of Trustees in relation to all manner of employment and disciplinary issues, governance and management, student issues, and all areas of legal liability within the education sector.

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