CHAIR



The Honourable Justice Paul Heath, High Court of New Zealand, Auckland

Justice Heath was called to the New Zealand Bar in 1978. He became a partner of Stace Hammond Grace & Partners in Hamilton in 1983 and practised as an advocate, specialising in commercial litigation, particularly in the area of insolvency law. Justice Heath moved to the separate Bar in 1998 and was appointed Queen's Counsel the same year. During his time in practice, Justice Heath appeared on three occasions before the Privy Council in London.

He was appointed a Judge of the High Court of New Zealand in April 2002. From 2003, Justice Heath has been assigned to sit, on occasion, on the Civil and Criminal Appeal Divisions of the Court of Appeal of New Zealand. In 2011 he also sat as a Judge of the Court of Appeal of Vanuatu.

From 1997 until 1999, Justice Heath was a consultant to the New Zealand Law Commission, primarily on commercial issues, and from 1999 until 2002 he was a Commissioner. During that time Justice Heath was responsible for preparing a number of reports affecting commercial law, notably those relating to electronic commerce and insolvency. He is also a co-consulting editor to the New Zealand text, Heath & Whale on Insolvency (LexisNexis) published in 2008.

SPEAKERS



Paul Ash, National Cyber Policy Office, Wellington

Paul has led the NCPO since its establishment in July 2012. Prior to this he held the positions of Deputy Head of Mission in Brussels and Deputy Director of the International Security and Disarmament Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Paul worked overseas in Honiara, Beijing and Taipei as well as the Pacific, United Nations and Human Rights, and Development divisions of MFAT in Wellington.



Cameron Bagrie, ANZ, Wellington

Cameron has been the Chief Economist of ANZ for over 10 years. He leads a team responsible for the forecasting of the New Zealand economy, analysis of New Zealand monetary policy as well as the forecasting and strategy work associated with fixed income research.



Pru Bennett, BlackRock, Hong Kong

Pru is Head of the Investment Stewardship team for the Asia Pacific Region. She is responsible for leading BlackRock's stewardship efforts covering engagement and voting in Asia, Japan, Australia and New Zealand on behalf of BlackRock's clients globally and integration of extra financial issues in the investment process. In 2013, she was named as one of Australia's Top 10 Women of Influence in Corporate Governance.

SPEAKERS



The Honourable Justice Berna Collier, Federal Court of Australia

Justice Collier is a Judge of the Federal Court of Australia and of the Supreme and National Courts of Papua New Guinea. She is a Deputy President of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal and a Judge of the Australian Capital Territory Supreme Court.



The Honourable Justice Susan Glazebrook DNZM, Supreme Court, Wellington

Justice Susan Glazebrook DNZM is a judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand. Before her elevation to the Bench, she was a partner at Simpson Grierson and served on a number of boards and government advisory committees.



Murray Jack, Independent Director and Advisor, Wellington

Murray chairs the Financial Markets Authority, Chartered Accountants Australia & New Zealand and Education Payroll Ltd. He is also a member of the ANZ Leadership Forum policy group, member of the board of the New Zealand Initiative, New Zealand's leading think tank, and an independent member of the NZ Defence Force Advisory Board.



Chris Moller, Meridian Energy, Wellington

Chris has held chair and director positions for a decade. Prior to then he observed governance through the lens of being a senior executive in sports management and the New Zealand dairy industry.



Chris New, Securecom, Auckland

Chris is currently Operations Director and an owner at SecureCom Ltd. He holds a degree in Law from London University and has worked in IT for 30 years. Chris was Managing Director Enterprise Division for Computacenter in the UK and Director for the Global and UK Finance Sector BT UK. In New Zealand he has held numerous positions at Spark working on a variety of projects over eight years.

SPEAKERS



Dr John Penno, Synlait Group, Canterbury

John is the co-founder of the Synlait Group and as a scientist and research program leader he worked to enable New Zealand dairy farmers to increase productivity and profit. In 2009, John received an emerging leader's award from the Sir Peter Blake Trust and the Excellence in Leadership award at the 2015 New Zealand International Business Awards.



Rick Shera, Lowndes Jordan, Auckland

Rick is the first lawyer to become an IITP Chartered IT Professional. He is also chair of Cybercitizenship NFP, NetSafe, an advisory board member of digitalNZ and a director of Crown Company, The Network for Learning Limited, and a member of the Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT NZ) Establishment Advisory Board.



Murray Sherwin, New Zealand Productivity Commission, Wellington

Murray is Chair of the New Zealand Productivity Commission. Previous appointments include: Chief Executive and Director General of the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry; Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand; and member of the Prime Minister's Advisory Group.



Stacey Shortall, MinterEllisonRuddWatts, Auckland

A litigation partner at MinterEllisonRuddWatts, Stacey also is a Blake Leader, Women of Influence Award winner, Kiwibank Local Hero recipient and was Law Fuel's 2015 NZ Lawyer of the Year. She actively recruits lawyers who work flexibly.



Cathy Quinn ONZM, MinterEllisonRuddWatts, Auckland

Cathy is a corporate partner based in the Auckland office. She specialises in mergers, acquisitions, securities, corporate governance and private equity. Cathy is a member of the Board of the New Zealand Treasury and the New Zealand China Council.

SPEAKERS



Dame Therese Walsh, Independent Director, Wellington

Dame Therese is an Independent director and is currently Deputy Chairman of TVNZ Ltd, a Director of NZX Limited, Air NZ Limited and ASB Bank Limited, a Trustee of Wellington Regional Stadium, and a Victoria University Council Member. She also sits on a number of Government panels. Prior to her career in Governance, Dame Therese worked in a number of sports leadership roles and is a chartered accountant.



Joan Withers, Independent Director, Auckland

Joan has spent over 25 years working in the media industry holding CEO positions in both newspaper and radio, and has corporate governance experience spanning 20 years. Her current governance roles include Chair of Mercury NZ Ltd, Chair of TVNZ and The Warehouse Group Ltd and she is a director of ANZ.



Leon Zwier, Arnold Bloch Leibler, Australia

Leon is a litigation and corporate recovery services partner and head of the firm's reconstruction and insolvency and dispute resolution and litigation practices. He's served as lead counsel in many of Australia's most complex reconstructions and insolvency workouts, acting on behalf of significant international enterprises with Australian interests in the resolution of major cross-border reconstructions.

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