CHAIR



The Honourable Justice Simon Moore, High Court, Auckland

Justice Moore graduated BA (Hons) and LLB in 1980. He was admitted to the Bar in 1982, and practised as a solicitor in the firm of Meredith Connell, Auckland before becoming a partner in 1985. Justice Moore was appointed Crown Solicitor for Auckland in 1994 and took silk in 2008. He was appointed to the High Court in 2014 and sits in Auckland.

SPEAKERS



Len Andersen QC, Barristers Chambers, Dunedin

Len is a barrister with a wide and varied practice including trial and appellate work. He is a part time Law Lecturer at the University of Otago and is currently teaching advocacy. Len is the president of the Criminal Bar Association and has a keen interest in the future of the criminal bar.



Kerryn Beaton, Walker Street Chambers, Christchurch

Kerryn is a criminal barrister, and is currently appointed as counsel assisting the Royal Commission into Abuse in Care. She has worked as a Crown prosecutor, Public Defender, United Nations legal officer, and now as a barrister sole. She co-founded Walker Street Chambers in 2018 which employs five junior criminal barristers.



Colin Carruthers QC, Criminal Cases Review Commission, Wellington

Colin's background is as a litigation partner in a major law firm. He commenced practice at the independent Bar in 1987 and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1990. Colin has had extensive experience in commercial litigation, particularly in cases concerning directors' responsibilities. He has also had significant experience in criminal work, including Serious Fraud Office prosecutions, tax prosecutions, securities prosecutions and other regulatory prosecutions.



The Honourable Justice Mathew Downs, High Court, Auckland

Justice Downs was appointed a High Court Judge in August 2016 and is based in Auckland. He is the editor of *Cross on Evidence* and a co-author of its new edition.

SPEAKERS



The Honourable Justice Christine French, Court of Appeal, Wellington

Justice French was appointed a judge of the High Court in 2008. In 2012, she was appointed to the Court of Appeal.



Professor Kris Gledhill, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland

Kris practised at the bar in London, from 1989 to 2006, mainly representing detained people in public law matters and criminal appeals. He came to New Zealand in 2006 and entered academia. Kris is a professor at AUT Law School, where his teaching includes criminal law, commercial criminal law and various aspects of human rights law.



Elizabeth Hall, Pipitea Chambers, Wellington

Admitted in 1998, Elizabeth specialises in trials involving serious crime and criminal appeal work. She has appeared in the Privy Council, the Supreme Court and regularly in the Court of Appeal including as intervener on a number of occasions and in 2020 co-founded the Defence Lawyers Association.



Emeritus Professor Geoff Hall, University of Otago, Dunedin

Geoff is still teaching part-time at the University of Otago. He is the author of *Hall's Sentencing* and a co-author of *Becroft and Hall's Transport Law*.



Annabel Markham, Crown Law, Wellington

Annabel was admitted in 1995. She is a Senior Crown Counsel at the Crown Law Office, where she has conducted appeals on behalf of the Crown since 2002. Prior to joining Crown Law, Annabel worked at Meredith, Connell and Co and at Theodore Goddard (London).

SPEAKERS



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Chris (Ngāti Wai, Te Whakapiko, Ma'ufanga, Niua Fo'ou) is a barrister at Mānuka Chambers. His work in the criminal jurisdiction includes a focus on representing children and young people charged with serious offending. Chris has a particular interest in the intersection of Māori and Pacific cultural values in the area of the criminal law.



The Honorable Justice Forrie Miller, Court of Appeal, Wellington

Justice Miller graduated BA/LLB (Hons) from the University of Otago and LLM from the University of Toronto. He practised at Bodkins, Alexandra, and Chapman Tripp before his appointment to the High Court in 2004, and was appointed to the Court of Appeal in 2013.



Julia Spelman, Pipitea Chambers, Wellington

Julia (Ngāti Hikairo) is a barrister specialising in criminal defence work. She was a founding member and former chair of JustSpeak, a youth-based movement advocating for transformative change in the criminal justice system. Julia is currently one of the Counsel Assisting the Royal Commission into Abuse in State and Faith-Based Care.



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