

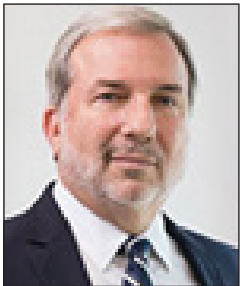
## CHAIR



### **Annette Gray, Buchanan Gray, Wellington**

Annette is a specialist Family Court lawyer who has worked in the Family Court for the past 35 years and appears for parties and as Lawyer for Child. She is also mediator on the NZLS Panel of Mediators, and a Family Dispute Resolution (FDR) mediator with FairWay Resolution Limited, specialising in the resolution of all types of family disputes. Annette has considerable experience dealing with the Protection of Personal and Property Rights Act and representing subject persons and those under a disability or lacking capacity. She also accepts Court appointments to represent people in Protection of Personal and Property Rights cases and to assist the Court. Annette is a District Inspector of Mental Health for both the Mental Health Act and Intellectual Disability (Compulsory Care and Rehabilitation) Act. She is a member of the NZLS Family Law Section expert advisory panel and is the immediate past President of the Wellington Branch of the New Zealand Law Society.

## KEYNOTE AND INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS



### **Edwin Freedman, Law Office of Edwin Freedman, Tel Aviv, Israel**

The Law Office of Edwin Freedman is located in the centre of Tel-Aviv and was established in 1982. Ed earned his law degree at Rutgers University School of Law-Newark, New Jersey in 1973 and was admitted to the Bar in New York. He practised law for three years in the New York City Family Courts, first as an Assistant Corporation Counsel, later as an attorney for the Bureau of Child Welfare. Ed immigrated to Israel in 1978. After clerking 18 months in order to qualify for the Israeli Bar, he was admitted in 1980. The main focus of the Law Office of Edwin Freedman is the field of family law. The office has a particular expertise in matters involving international disputes regarding child abduction, visitation, and custody. Ed was actively involved in lobbying for Israel's ratification of the 1980 Hague Convention on Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction. Since its ratification, he has represented many clients both in Israel and abroad who filed claims under the Convention. As a member of the International Academy of Family Lawyers, Ed was an observer at the 2nd-6th Special Conferences which are held every four years at the Hague to discuss implementation of the Abduction Convention. He is also vice-president of European Golden Oldies Rugby.

## KEYNOTE AND INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS



### **Judge Victoria McCloud, A Master of the Senior Courts Queen's Bench Division, London**

Judge McCloud is a Master of the Senior Courts, Queen's Bench Division. Appointed in 2010, at the age of 40, she was the youngest person ever appointed Master, and only the second woman. Judge McCloud was also the first judge appointed from the transgender community. She is a Senior Associate Research Fellow at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London. Judge McCloud is an Associate Fellow at the Global Network on Extremism and Technology, Department of War Studies, King's College, London University, was recently Visiting Professor, Tashkent University Uzbekistan, and is also a Chartered Psychologist, in the UK and Republic of Ireland.

She has been an editor of Civil Procedure (also known as "the White Book") since 2000 and is the author of various legal books, as well as academic papers. In 2018, Judge McCloud presented the second Queen's University Belfast Pride Law Lecture. She is committed to promoting diversity and inclusion within the judiciary and legal professions and beyond. Judge McCloud is a member of the Committee reviewing and updating the UK's Equal Treatment Bench Book, which aims to increase awareness and understanding of the different circumstances of people appearing in courts and tribunals.



### **Her Honour Judge Jacquelyn Moran, Principal Family Court Judge, Wellington**

Her Honour Judge Jacquelyn (Jackie) Moran was appointed a Family Court Judge in 2003 and became Principal Family Court Judge in November 2018. She is New Zealand's fifth Principal Family Court Judge and the first woman appointed to the role since the Family Court's establishment in 1981. Judge Moran graduated LLB in 1979 and was admitted to the Bar in 1980. She practised for 23 years mainly in family law in Ōtāhuhu, Whanganui, and Invercargill. When appointed a District Court Judge with a Family warrant Judge Moran was assigned to Christchurch. For six years she was the Administrative Family Court Judge for the Southern Region, and for a brief period in 2014 she served as Acting Principal Family Court Judge. She has been a member of Canterbury Family Justice Network and took an active role in designing and rolling out nationally the Early Intervention Process to deal efficiently with Care of Children Act 2004 proceedings. In 2013-2014 she was a judicial member of the working party on Family Court reforms introduced at that time.

## KEYNOTE AND INTERNATIONAL SPEAKERS



### **Dr Tom Mulholland, Auckland Hospital, Auckland**

Dr Tom is one of New Zealand's leading wellbeing speakers with over 20 years of conference speaking and workshop experience. An Emergency Department Doctor for 30 years, he has also been an honorary lecturer in Psychological Medicine at the University of Auckland, owned his own General Practice and been a rural GP. Dr Tom is the founder of Doctor Global, the Healthy Thinking Institute and developer of global wellbeing App KYND [www.kyndwellness.com](http://www.kyndwellness.com) which is taking the country by storm. He developed KYND as he believes it is impossible to manage wellbeing, unless you can measure it first. Dr Tom has written two international best-selling books on Healthy Thinking including *Healthy Thinking – How to Turn Life's Lemons into Lemonade* and *The Power of Healthy Thinking – To Change Your Attitude and Your Life*. When he is not working as a doctor or on the speaking circuit, Dr Tom enjoys extreme sport and expeditions. He was awarded a New Zealand Defence Force Special Services medal for his medical work in the Boxing Day Tsunami and work as a ship's doctor in polar regions. In 2019, Dr Tom embarked on his next mission, the Healthy Heartland Hikoi with the aim of walking the length of the country.

## SPEAKERS



### **Fuimaono Gardenia Atimalala, KAM Legal Chambers, Auckland**

Admitted in 1989, Gardenia specialises as Lawyer for Child and Lawyer to Assist, predominantly for Pacific children and their families.



### **Nicola Atwool, University of Otago, Dunedin**

Nicola is an Associate Professor in the Social and Community Work Programme. She has 40 years' experience as a practitioner and academic in child protection.



### **Andre Baker, Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira, Porirua**

Tēnā koutou ngā kaiwhiriwhiri o tēnei huihuinga.

Kei te maunga pae tapu o Whitireia, rere atu ki te awa o Pari-rua, whakawhiti atu ki te moana o Raukawakawa ki te moutere o Kāpiti, anei rā te karanga ki tōku iwi o Ngāti Toa.

He uri mokopuna nō Ngāti Te Maunu, Ngāti Akamapuhia, Ngāti Te Ra Kuao.

Ko André Baker tōku ingoa.

Nō reira, tēnā koutou katoa.

## **SPEAKERS**



### **Laura Bond, Child Poverty Action Group, Auckland**

Laura has spent the past decade in the not-for-profit sector focussing on children's rights and development in multiple countries and contexts.



### **Sharon Chandra, Turner Hopkins, Auckland**

Sharon is a partner at Turner Hopkins and practises in all areas of family law, with a specialist focus on relationship property matters.



### **John Christie, New Zealand Law Society, Auckland**

John is a Professional Standards Officer working with a Standards Committee which deals primarily with family law complaints.



### **John-Luke Day, Te Aka Matua o te Ture | Law Commission, Wellington**

John-Luke is a Principal Legal and Policy Adviser. He is currently working on the Commission's review of succession law.



### **Samantha de Coning, FairWay, Wellington**

Samantha is Head of Practice at FairWay and an accredited FDR mediator who is passionate about supporting families through change.



### **Nikki De La Mare, New Zealand Law Society, Wellington**

Nikki is the National Complaints Manager. Her background is in compliance and complaints handling, including at the Education Council, REAA, and ACC.



## **SPEAKERS**



### **Rachael Dewar, Rachael Dewar Law, Wellington**

Rachael has a team of five lawyers who all specialise in family law. She was the Family Law Conference Chair in 2019.



### **Amanda Donovan, Haigh Lyon, Auckland**

Amanda has practised law for over 20 years, working primarily in the highly specialised areas of relationship property and claims against trusts.



### **Luke Fitzmaurice, University of Otago, Wellington**

Luke (Te Aupōuri) is a PhD Candidate at the University of Otago, studying kaupapa Māori approaches to child protection.



### **Her Honour Judge Faumui Penelope Sasao Ginnen, District Court, Manukau**

Judge Ginnen is of Sāmoan (Safune, Tufutafoe, Leauva'a & Lefaga villages) and Pākehā descent. Before she was a judge, she worked in family law and iwi, public sector and NGO governance.



### **Tara Grant, Martelli McKegg, Auckland**

Tara is a resolution focussed, specialist trust and relationship property lawyer, focussing on complex estate planning, s 21 and 21A Agreements.



### **Jo Hosking, Lakes Chambers, Rotorua**

Jo has been in family law practice since 1999. Her work includes cases involving relationship property, deceased estates, PPPR and child law, including as Lawyer for Child.

## **SPEAKERS**



### **Sarah Jerebine, Bankside Chambers, Auckland**

Sarah is an experienced civil litigator, who has appeared in the senior courts for Oranga Tamariki on a range of contentious matters.



### **Telise Kelly, Martelli McKegg, Auckland**

Telise specialises in relationship property and trust litigation. She advocates a pragmatic and cost-effective approach to any dispute, including alternative dispute resolution where appropriate.



### **Kate Lash, Wellington**

Kate is a lawyer, adjudicator, mediator and voice of child specialist. Her background is primarily in family law and she is dedicated to the promotion of children's voices in all family proceedings.



### **Stephanie Marsden, Canterbury Chambers, Christchurch**

Stephanie acts in relationship and trust property disputes involving complex asset ownership structures, and estate claims.



### **Helen McQueen, Te Aka Matua o te Ture | Law Commission, Wellington**

Helen is the lead Commissioner on the review of succession law. She also led the Commission's review of the Property (Relationships) Act 1976.



### **Katie Murray MNZM, QSM, Waitomo Papakainga Developments Society Incorporated, Kaitia**

Katie is an advocate and CEO who promotes that practice should come from Te Ao Māori, using Te Reo me ona Tikanga, Whakapapa and Whanaungatanga.

## **SPEAKERS**



### **Timothy Orr, Martelli McKegg, Auckland**

Timothy specialises in trusts, structuring and private client matters. He is a well-regarded speaker and regularly submits on a variety of law reform matters.



### **Her Honour Judge Sharyn Otene, District Court, Manukau**

Judge Otene (Ngāpuhi) was appointed to the District Court Bench in 2015 and sits in the family, youth and criminal jurisdictions.



### **Lana Paul, Atticus Chambers, Christchurch**

Lana's expertise is in litigation and dispute resolution, including complex relationship property and estate claims, as well as youth advocacy.



### **Bruce Ross, Ignite Business Leadership, Auckland**

Bruce is a business and leadership coach who equips leaders to sustain stress-resistant performance during VUCA (Volatile Uncertain Complex and Ambiguous) times.



### **Professor Jacinta Ruru, University of Otago, Dunedin**

Jacinta, FRSNZ (Raukawa, Ngāti Ranginui) is a Distinguished Professor of Law at the University of Otago.



### **Dr Anna Sandiford, The Forensic Group Ltd, Christchurch**

A co-director of New Zealand's only independent forensic science consultancy, Anna is a forensic scientist, alcohol expert, and adviser on hair strand analysis/toxicology.

## **SPEAKERS**



### **Kirsty Swadling, Ponsonby Chambers, Auckland**

Kirsty is a barrister and mediator. She regularly uses collaborative processes, particularly in parenting and relationship property disputes.



### **Her Honour Judge Emma Smith, District Court, Dunedin**

Judge Smith was appointed to the District Court Bench in 2004 and holds both family and jury warrants.



### **Selina Trigg, Family Law Results, Christchurch**

Selina is a lawyer and mediator. She sits on the Board of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals.



### **Paolo Timajo, Family Law Specialists, Porirua**

Paolo acts in proceedings before the Family Court, and assists parties seeking to resolve disputes about safety, care of children and property.



### **Tania Williams Blyth, Te Kopu Legal, Rotorua**

Tania (Ngāti Pukenga and Te Arawa (Tapuika and Waitaha)) has appeared in the Family Court since 1999 including as Lawyer for Child and Lawyer for Subject Person.



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