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Sarah is an award-winning litigation specialist with 25 years of experience in New Zealand and the UK. She has appeared as counsel in all levels of the Courts and is active across a broad range of commercial and regulatory disputes, including company and securities law, banking and finance litigation, complex contract and tort claims, tax disputes, product liability, arbitration, competition and fair trading. Sarah joined the independent bar in 2020. Prior to that she was a partner in Russell McVeagh's litigation practice for 12 years, where she served as head of the national litigation group between 2014-2016 and in 2019. In the latest Chambers & Partners NZ listings for the category "Dispute Resolution – The Bar", Sarah continues to be placed by clients and peers in the highest band for senior, junior counsel. She served as an elected member of the NZLS Auckland Branch Committee from 2016 – 2018.



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Aaron has been a partner in the Litigation and Dispute Resolution team at MinterEllisonRuddWatts since 2009. He represents clients in litigation, investigations, and strategic risk management, across a range of areas. Aaron has particular expertise in trial and appellate advocacy, white collar criminal and regulatory matters, employment law/health and safety, and in sport. He is highly experienced with all stages of the litigation process including managing complex and large discoveries and representing clients in Court about discovery issues.



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Julian is a Senior Associate at MinterEllisonRuddWatts having joined the firm in 2014. He is an experienced general commercial litigator with a focus on contractual disputes, insolvency matters, and trust and estate litigation. Julian acts for clients from a wide range of sectors including the major banks, large financial institutions including investment and advisory groups, body corporates, and high net worth individuals. He is experienced with managing large scale discoveries with a focus on employing technology to streamline processes and ensure the best outcomes for his clients.

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