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Derek Nolan, Russell McVeagh, Auckland

Derek has successfully chaired several of our previous intensives and is a partner in the environmental and resource management law group of Russell McVeagh. He is the editor and an author of Environmental and Resource Management Law (LexisNexis), a past convener of the NZLS Environmental Law Committee and a past president of the RMLA.

PRESENTERS



Michael Garbett, Partner, Anderson Lloyd, Dunedin

Michael is responsible for managing Environment Court litigation relating to appeals on resource consents, designations, enforcement and appeals against District Plans. He also provides a wide range of specialist statutory compliance and other legal advice to various clients in the resource management and local government fields.



James Gardner-Hopkins, Partner, Russell McVeagh, Wellington

James advises clients nationally, specialising in providing strategic advice and assistance to major development projects. He acted on the first direct referral to the Environment Court and participates in boards of inquiry as well as in appellate court hearings.



David Kirkpatrick, Barrister, Auckland

David has expertise in all areas of local government, building and resource management work, including considerable experience in litigation at all levels. He regularly presents seminars to both clients and professional groups in his specialist areas.



Trevor Robinson, Barrister, Wellington

Trevor specialises in resource management with a particular focus on processes under the Act governing electricity generation. He has been lead counsel on consent applications for thermal, geothermal, hydro and wind plants, and recently, acted on three of the first five consent applications considered by boards of inquiry under the post 2005 regime.

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Graeme Todd, GTODD Law, Queenstown

Graeme is a lawyer based in Queenstown. He has acted as counsel for local authorities and private clients in excess of 200 appeals, before a variety of courts. He is known as an effective advocate especially in cross-examination.



Elizabeth Toomey, Professor, School of law, Canterbury University, Christchurch

Elizabeth specialises in the areas of resource management law, real property law, public works and sports law. She publishes widely in her areas of expertise both in New Zealand and internationally. Elizabeth teaches an undergraduate course on the Resource Management Act at the University of Canterbury and supervises many students undertaking research in this area.



Martin Williams, Barrister, Napier and Auckland

Martin has fifteen years' experience practising in resource management law. He has represented a wide range of private and public sector clients at local authority and appellate level hearings, and appeared as counsel in a number of leading Environment and High Court cases over that period.

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