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DR GEOFF HARLEY, BARRISTER, WELLINGTON

Geoff is a barrister specialising in taxation. He has appeared in all courts for taxpayers in their disputes with Inland Revenue. Until recently he chaired the International Fiscal Association's New Zealand Branch. Geoff has written and presented extensively on tax matters.

Speakers



BRENDAN BROWN, RUSSELL MCVEAGH, WELLINGTON

Brendan advises on a variety of tax matters, including cross-border transactions, financing arrangements, and corporate acquisitions and restructurings. He has also represented clients in tax investigations and litigation with Inland Revenue. Brendan is a member of the NZLS Taxation Committee, and is a part-time lecturer at the Victoria University of Wellington.



ALLAN BULLOCK, DELOITTE, AUCKLAND

Allan is a partner in the Auckland Deloitte office and leads the indirect team specialising in GST. He has over 17 years' experience in tax, with the last 12 years exclusively in GST and indirect taxes. Allan has assisted clients in both Canada and New Zealand with all aspects of GST including risk reviews, planning, IRD disputes and assisting in obtaining significant GST refunds for clients in a number of industries.



DR ROBIN CONGREVE, COMPANY DIRECTOR, AUCKLAND

Robin is an Auckland based company director and investor, with a particular interest in bio-medical research and drug development. He was a senior lecturer in law at Victoria University, before becoming an Auckland based tax partner in Russell McVeagh. Robin appeared as counsel for the taxpayer in *Challenge Corporation Ltd v CIR*.



RICHARD GREEN, BARRISTER, AUCKLAND

Richard is a barrister who advises on a range of taxation matters. He has a particular interest in tax dispute resolution and has appeared as counsel in several leading tax cases. A former chairman of the New Zealand Branch of the International Fiscal Association, Richard has chaired and/or presented papers at many tax seminars and conferences over the years.

Speakers



MATHEW MCKAY, BELL GULLY, AUCKLAND

Mathew is a partner in Bell Gully's tax team. He advises on all aspects of New Zealand corporate tax law, including tax issues affecting mergers and acquisitions, financing arrangements and funds management. Mathew regularly assists clients in disputes with Inland Revenue during the dispute resolution phase and in court challenge proceedings.



GRAEME OLDING, CHAPMAN TRIPP, AUCKLAND

Graeme is a member of the tax team at Chapman Tripp. He has over ten years' experience advising on corporate tax and GST matters. Graeme has provided GST advice on numerous mortgage sale, liquidation, receivership and distressed debt situations.



DAVID SIMCOCK, BELL GULLY, AUCKLAND

David is a tax partner and the immediate past chairman of Bell Gully. His areas of specialisation are corporate restructuring and tax litigation. In addition to corporate advisory work and advising on tax policy issues, he has advised on the resolution of disputes with the Inland Revenue Department and appeared as counsel during tax litigation cases. David is a regular presenter of papers on tax issues at conferences and is a past chairman of the New Zealand Branch of the International Fiscal Association. He was named the number one practitioner in New Zealand for corporate tax expertise by *Who's Who Legal* in May 2006 and his other accolades include being named as "highly recommended" by the *Tax Directors Handbook 2009*. *Asialaw Leading Lawyers 2010* ranks David as a leading trusts lawyer.



Stephen Tomlinson, Tomlinson Law, Christchurch

A former partner of Tomlinson Paull, Stephen has lectured in taxation, finance and business law at the University of Canterbury and is a well-known presenter of taxation and trust seminars. Stephen advises law firms, accounting firms and property developers on a wide range of GST and income tax issues. He drafted the NZLS submissions on the changes to the definition of "associated persons".



TONY WILKINSON, BUDDLE FINDLAY, AUCKLAND

Tony is a partner in Buddle Findlay's national taxation team. He assists clients in tax disputes and also advises on the New Zealand income tax and GST consequences of a broad range of transactions. Tony is a regular public speaker and has presented on a number of tax issues for both the NZLS and the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants.

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