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Andrew is a barrister at Capital Chambers, Wellington. He specialises in civil litigation and arbitration, particularly in the areas of construction, property, leases, procurement, sports disputes and disciplinary proceedings. Andrew has degrees in law from Canterbury University, University College London and Oxford University.

SPEAKERS



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Philippa has been involved in commercial litigation and dispute resolution for many years. Her principal specialist area is the representation of professionals in connection with claims for negligence and disciplinary complaints. Philippa routinely represents insurers and their clients in property damage claims which are covered under material damage, public and products liability policies. Other areas of specialty include construction disputes (including leaky building litigation) and regulatory prosecutions.



Matt Maling, Lane Neave, Christchurch

Matt is a specialist construction lawyer and leads Lane Neave's building and construction team. His client's include government, council controlled organisations, universities, airports, port companies, developers, homeowners and contractors. Matt is a multiple construction law prize winner (University of Melbourne). He is a member of the Society of Construction Law (NZ), associate member of AMINZ, member of NZIOD, and board member of CoCA (Centre of Contemporary Art) and New Zealand Opera. Matt is admitted to practice in both Australia (NSW) and New Zealand.



Stephen Price, Minter Ellison Rudd Watts, Auckland

Stephen is a highly-regarded construction disputes lawyer, and leads Minter Ellison Rudd Watts' Construction Division in New Zealand. His expertise is in resolving large scale construction contract disputes particularly regarding claims for variations, delays/disruption, and the like, as well as defective works claims. Stephen is very experienced in bringing and defending adjudications under the Construction Contracts Act 2002 and was named by the Chambers Directory as a Band One ranked lawyer in the New Zealand construction field, and by the Asia Pacific Directory as a recommended lawyer.

SPEAKERS



Edward Scorgie, Chapman Tripp, Auckland

Edward advises clients on all aspects of commercial dispute resolution, with a particular interest in construction disputes and tax litigation. He regularly advises on construction disputes and issues of all kinds, including complex delay and disruption claims, latent defect and workmanship issues following construction of new assets, and contested payment claims and performance bond issues. Edward is the team leader of the Chapman Tripp Auckland litigation team. He is also a Director of the Building Industry Federation, a member of the New Zealand Society Legislation Committee and a chair of Chapman Tripp's Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Committee.



Janine Stewart, Minter Ellison Rudd Watts, Auckland

Janine is an experienced construction and property lawyer having advised on numerous complex construction projects and disputes in New Zealand. She has appeared in arbitration, the High Court and the Court of Appeal. Janine provides expert legal advice and dispute resolution services in all aspects of construction and commercial property disputes. Janine is an active member of the New Zealand Society of Construction Law. She presents regularly on construction and property issues, both at conferences and to individual clients.



John Walton, Bankside Chambers, Auckland

John is a commercial barrister, practising at Bankside Chambers in Auckland. He has been a construction law specialist for the last 30 years, having practised in Wellington, London, Hong Kong and, since 1995, in Auckland. John was a partner in a major national law firm until 2003, when he went to the bar. He is the President of AMINZ, a Fellow of AMINZ (Arb), a Fellow of the Charter Institute of Arbitrators (UK), a Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators, and he is admitted as a solicitor in England and Wales, and in Hong Kong. He is also on the AMINZ panels of arbitrators, mediators and construction adjudicators and he is a Principal Adjudicator for the Building Disputes Tribunal.



Victoria Whitfield, Whitfield Braun Limited, Hamilton

Victoria has provided litigation advice to some of New Zealand's most recognised financial institutions, and acted for receivers and liquidators of insolvent companies in a wide variety of industries. She is highly regarded as an expert in construction law (including leaky home disputes) and civil litigation and has acted in a number of high profile cases. Victoria has extensive experience in mediations, arbitrations, ADR procedures, as well as general court and Tribunal experience.

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