

Curriculum Vitae

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Introduction

I am an advocate with 30 years' experience conducting many trials and hearings before Judges and juries in the High Court, District Court, Court of appeal, Supreme Court and other tribunals.

I joined the independent bar in 2014 following my tenure as Crown Solicitor for Rotorua. I have appeared as junior and lead counsel in many of the New Zealand's most significant criminal and regulatory cases, as both prosecuting and defence counsel. I was appointed Kings Counsel in 2021.

I act in cases requiring committed and compelling advocacy in all aspects of criminal, regulatory, and public law.

Qualifications:

- LLB/BA, Victoria, 1994, 1995
- Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand (admitted December 1995)
- Barrister and Solicitor of the Pitcairn Islands (admitted March 2003)
- Appointed Kings Counsel (June 2021)

Membership:

- New Zealand Law Society
- New Zealand Bar Association

Professional:

- Chair, Psychoactive Substances Appeal Committee 2014 - 2016
- Panel, Serious Fraud Office 2009 - 2013
- Faculty, NZLS Litigation Skills 2009 - Present
- Convenor of Auckland District Law Society Health and Safety Committee 2015
- Senior Magistrate of the Pitcairn Islands 2019 - Present

Experience

2014 – Present: Barrister – Richmond Chambers

2006 – 2013: Crown Solicitor / Partner, Rotorua

2001 – 2006: Associate / Senior Crown Counsel, Meredith Connell, Auckland

1998 – 2001: Associate / Intermediate Crown Counsel, Davys Burton, Rotorua

1996 – 1998: Litigation Assistant, Ashurst Morris Crisp, London

Practise Areas

- Criminal / Regulatory
- Fraud / Financial Crime and Enforcement Actions
- Civil Litigation
- Administrative / Public Law
- Bill of Rights / Human Rights
- Media
- Aviation and Maritime Law
- Resource Management (enforcement)
- Animal Welfare
- Coronial / Medico-legal
- Professional / Disciplinary proceedings