

Curriculum Vitae

Mary Peters

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Summary of experience

I have broad experience as counsel in litigation in the New Zealand courts.

The matters on which I have acted as an advisor and advocate have included claims arising in contract, tort and equity; property, leasing and resource management matters; shareholder and company disputes; and trust and estate administration matters.

I have acted for clients in matters concerning the Commerce Commission and Securities Commission; appeared before the Takeovers Panel; and acted for banks, receivers and creditors in insolvencies, restructurings and amalgamations.

In addition to the above, I have worked in both New York and London, for Arthur Andersen & Co and Allen & Overy respectively.

Qualifications

1985	Victoria University of Wellington LLB
1985	Admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand
1991	Admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England & Wales
1996	University of Auckland Competition law
2000	University of Auckland Competition law and policy
2000	LEADR NZ Inc Mediation Course

Professional history

2004 – present	Barrister
1997 – 2004	Partner Russell McVeagh, Auckland
1995 – 1997	Solicitor Russell McVeagh, Auckland
1990 – 1995	Solicitor Allen & Overy, London
1989	Solicitor Chapman Tripp Sheffield Young, Wellington
1988	Solicitor Arthur Andersen & Co, New York
1985 – 1986	Tutor in Contract law Victoria University of Wellington
1983 – 1987	Solicitor Chapman Tripp Sheffield Young, Wellington

Positions held

2009 to date	Deputy Chair, Real Estate Agents Disciplinary Tribunal
2008	Member, Auckland District Law Society Property Disputes Sub-Committee
2007 – 2009	Director, Bankside Chambers Limited
2004	President, Auckland Women Lawyers' Association
2003	Vice-President, Auckland Women Lawyers' Association
2002 – 2004	Trustee, Knox Home & Hospital, Auckland
1999 – 2001	Russell McVeagh Board of Management

Current memberships

Auckland District Law Society, Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra Guild, Auckland Women Lawyers' Association, Legal Research Foundation, New Zealand Bar Association, New Zealand Law Society, SPCA Pro Bono Panel of Prosecutors, The Northern Club.

Areas of specialisation

Land law and property litigation

Commercial litigation

Securities law

Trade Practices

Trusts and Estates

Examples of case involvement

Leeuwenhoeve Investments NZ Limited v Nutritek Overseas Pte Limited (High Court, Auckland) CIV 2009-404-1204)

MAP Associates Limited v Westpac New Zealand Limited [Publication of decision presently suppressed.]

Canwest TVWorks Limited v XY [2008] NZAR 1

Lehmann v RadioWorks Limited (Human Rights Review Tribunal, 35/06, 21 September 2006 and 047/06, 12 December 2006)

Task Technology Limited v Task Transactions Limited (High Court, Auckland, CIV 2003-404-4127, 5 August 2005, and 24 February 2006, Keane J)

World Vision of New Zealand Trust Board v Seal & Ors [2004] 1 NZLR 673 (HC)

Wong & Ors v Burt & Anor [2003] 3 NZLR 526 (HC), [2005] 1 NZLR 91 (CA)

S&M Property Holdings Limited & Anor v Wellington City Council & Anor [2003] NZRMA 193 (HC)

North Shore City Council v Minister of Conservation & Anor [2003] 2 NZLR 497 (HC)

Trustpower Limited (Takeovers Panel, 16 April 2003)

Otago Power Limited (Takeovers Panel, 19 and 31 May 2002)

Bilgola Enterprises Limited v Dymocks Franchise Systems (NSW) Pty Limited and related litigation ([1999] 3 NZLR 239; [2000] 3 NZLR 169; [2004] 1 NZLR 289)

Application by Carter Holt Harvey Limited for clearance to acquire assets of CNIFP

Application by Hewlett-Packard Company for clearance to acquire share capital of Compaq Computer Corporation

No.1 Queen Street Limited v Auckland City Council & Anor (Case heard but the parties resolved it prior to judgment) (HC)

Society for the Protection of Auckland City and Waterfront Incorporated v Auckland City Council & Anor (Case settled) (HC)

King v Auckland City Council & Anor [2000] NZRMA 145 (HC)

Manukau City Council v Ports of Auckland Limited & Ors (Court of Appeal, CA 252-97, 19 May 1998), [2000] 1 NZLR 1 (PC)

Ports of Auckland Limited v Minister of Transport & Ors (High Court, Auckland, CP 449-95, 29 September 1997, Smellie J)

Foote Bros Limited v Kevith Holdings Limited & Ors (High Court, Auckland, CP 61-96, 9 April 1998, Paterson J)

In re Dedden [1998] NZFLR 868 (HC)

Anderson v Davies [1997] 1 NZLR 616 (HC)

Ravensdown Corporation Limited v Commerce Commission & Ors (High Court, Wellington, AP 168-96, 9 December 1996, Panckhurst J & Professor R G Lattimore)

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