

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO BE APPOINTED TO THE BENCH OF THE HIGH COURT

Section 94 of the Senior Courts Act specifies that no person shall be appointed a Judge of the High Court or an Associate Judge of the High Court unless he or she has held a practising certificate as a barrister or solicitor for at least seven years or has similar legal experience. The information in this form should be a supplement to a more extensive work and personal history contained in a curriculum vitae. This form provides an opportunity to highlight experience which is of particular relevance to the criteria on which appointments will be made.

Personal details

Full name _____

Full postal address (*the address to which mail should be sent*)

Contact telephone no. _____ Fax _____

Email _____

Do not supply any contact details that you do not wish to have used.

Date of birth _____
Day Month Year

The following information is gathered for statistical purposes.

Are you ☐ Male ☐ Female

Are you a New Zealand Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not, please specify your citizenship: _____

Ethnicity:

<input type="checkbox"/> NZ Māori	<input type="checkbox"/> Chinese	<input type="checkbox"/> NZ European or Pākehā
<input type="checkbox"/> Samoan	<input type="checkbox"/> Indian	<input type="checkbox"/> Other European – which of these groups:
<input type="checkbox"/> Cook Island Māori	<input type="checkbox"/> Other – please state ethnic group	<input type="checkbox"/> English <input type="checkbox"/> Scottish
<input type="checkbox"/> Tongan		<input type="checkbox"/> Dutch <input type="checkbox"/> Irish
<input type="checkbox"/> Niuean	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Australian

Iwi _____

Tick as many as you need to show to which ethnic group(s) you belong.

Academic qualifications and attainments

Qualification	Institution	Country	Years	Year completed – or ongoing
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Work history

Date of admission in New Zealand _____

Please provide here a brief description of your overall experience, for example, areas of specialisation. Include full details of employers, dates of employment, your positions and areas of work, periods of partnership and self employment in your curriculum vitae.

Please indicate, by ticking the boxes, the extent of your experience in the following:

<i>Court</i>	<i>Civil</i>	<i>Criminal</i>	<i>Details, including number of appearances</i>
Supreme Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Court of Appeal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

<i>Court</i>	<i>Civil</i>	<i>Criminal</i>	<i>Details, including total years' experience</i>
High Court			
Appellant work	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
High Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
District Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

	<i>Total</i>	
Family Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Youth Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Environment Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Employment Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Māori Land Court	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Tribunals (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Alternative Dispute Resolution	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
Commissions of Inquiry/ Ministerial Committees or similar forums	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

Please give highlights of your career whether legal or non legal. For example, significant reported decisions or personal achievements.

Professional memberships

Professional bodies, legal and non-legal, you belong to. Indicate if you have held office.

<i>Organisation</i>	<i>Office/s held</i>	<i>Years</i>
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Publications

Please list any major published works of a legal nature.

Community activities

Please give details (including any offices you have held) of your involvement with any community groups and activities or in pro bono work.

Appointment

Please specify the role to which you think your skills are best suited:

- ☐ Judge of the High Court
- ☐ Associate Judge of the High Court

Please specify the location(s) in which you are willing to reside:

- ☐ Auckland ☐ Christchurch ☐ Wellington

Consent

I understand and consent to my Expression of Interest form, my curriculum vitae and any other material supplied being held by the Attorney-General's Judicial Appointments Unit and being used to assess whether I may be appointed to the High Court Bench.

I consent to my name being passed to the President of the New Zealand Law Society as part of the consultation process and I understand that the President may in turn consult, on a confidential basis, Presidents of relevant District Law Societies and/or respected and trustworthy practitioners.

I consent to my name being passed to the Chief Justice, Chief High Court Judge or the President of the Court of Appeal and others deemed appropriate by them, or by the Attorney-General or Solicitor-General as part of the consultation process.

I understand that my Expression of Interest form, my curriculum vitae, and any other material supplied and held by the Attorney-General's Judicial Appointments Unit may be referred to by the Chief Justice, Attorney-General or Solicitor-General if, and after, I have been appointed to the High Court Bench, for judicial administrative purposes.

Signature

Date

Please mark your expression of interest 'Confidential' and address it to:

The Attorney-General's Judicial Appointments Unit

SX 10088

WELLINGTON

Ph: 04 473 3890 or 0800 473 389

Fax: 04 473 3891 Email judicialappointments@justice.govt.nz

Information provided pursuant to the Privacy Act 1993

Under the terms of the Privacy Act 1993, we are required to inform you that:

The information you have provided is being collected for the purpose of filling a position as a Judge or an Associate Judge of the High Court and is needed to assess your suitability to fill that position. The information may be checked by reference to those persons listed above.

You have rights of access to the information held about yourself and you have the right to request corrections to this information; however, comments made by other people about your suitability may not be available if these people have been promised that their comments will be treated confidentially. This will often be the case.

The information may be used for judicial administrative purposes by, for example, the Chief Justice, if you are appointed.

The information will be kept for as long as it is required for the purposes for which it has been obtained.