

PRESENTERS



His Hon Chief Judge Graeme Colgan, Employment Court

Chief Judge Colgan was admitted to the Bar in 1976 and practised as a litigation lawyer with Haigh Lyon & Co until 1987 when he joined Southern Cross Chambers in Auckland. He was appointed as a judge of the Labour Court in 1989 which became the Employment Court in 1991. He was appointed as Chief Judge in 2005. Chief Judge Colgan has practised employment law under the legislative regimes of the Employment Relations Act 2000, the Employment Contracts Act 1991, the Labour Relations Act 1987, and the Industrial Relations Act 1973.



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