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Matthew Tetley-Jones, McVeagh Fleming, Auckland

Matthew graduated from the University of Auckland and was admitted to the bar in 1988. He worked in civil, family and criminal litigation in his early days, first with McVeagh Fleming and then as a barrister in the 1990s. In 2000 he joined Tetley-Jones Thom Sexton, then under the leadership of his father Maurice Tetley-Jones. He continued as a general litigator and appeared as junior counsel in *Ladstone Holdings Limited v Leonora Holdings Limited* [2006] NZLR 211, a case dealing with alleged misrepresentation in relation to the sale of land.

In 2006, he moved into transactional work and took over as principal at Tetley-Jones Thom Sexton. In 2011 he joined McVeagh Fleming as a partner. He now deals with sale and purchase of land, property law, trusts, wills, relationship property, elder law and occasionally a bit of intellectual property. He no longer appears in court as counsel but has been a defendant, in his capacity as executor in a Family Protection Act case - *Webb v Tetley-Jones* [2014] NZFC 1036.

SPEAKERS



Vicki Ammundsen, Vicki Ammundsen Trust Law, Auckland

Vicki is a trust practitioner. She has an appreciation of the issues that confront older clients in the context of and interaction between estate planning, residential care subsidy concerns, relationship, family and trust related issues.



Terry Baucher, Baucher Consulting Ltd, Auckland

Terry is a member of STEP and the United Kingdom Chartered Institute of Taxation. He specialises in advising on tax issues such as Inheritance Tax and Capital Gains Tax affecting clients migrating to or from the United Kingdom. Terry is the co-author of *Tax and Fairness* published in May 2017.



Henry Brandts-Giesen, Kensington Swan, Auckland

Henry is a partner and Head of Private Wealth at Kensington Swan. He is an experienced corporate, commercial and financial services lawyer, with specialities in private wealth structuring, family business succession and dispute resolution. Henry is one of a small group of lawyers in New Zealand with experience and expertise in FATCA, the Common Reporting Standard and the Anti-Money Laundering regulatory regimes.

SPEAKERS



Maria Dew QC, Bankside Chambers, Auckland

Maria has a specialist practice in employment law, professional misconduct and related civil litigation. She acts for employers and senior employees, providing a full range of advocacy including urgent restraint of trade and breach of confidentiality actions.



Simon Laurent, Laurent Law, Auckland

Under Simon Laurent's direction, Laurent Law is the go-to firm for solving difficult immigration situations. He has presented numerous legal and industry seminars, and he is frequently called upon for comment by the media.



Claire Leadbetter, Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, Wellington

Claire leads the policy team at the new Ministry of Housing and Urban Development, who are working on the policy changes for the Residential Tenancies Act Reform, Healthy Homes Guarantee Regulations, and other changes to the Residential Tenancies Act. She has worked in the housing policy area for 10 years, including a stint as a Private Secretary in a Minister's Office and time at Housing New Zealand Corporation. Claire has also previously worked in the project management office for a major public sector construction project.



Stephen McCarthy, Barrister, Auckland

Stephen practises in family and civil litigation. He has a particular interest in property and estate disputes. Stephen has practised as a barrister since early 2006 and prior to that was a litigation partner in a Manukau City firm for over 20 years. He was convener of the ADLS Mental Health and Disability Law Committee 1991-1995 and Family Law Committee 2001-2003. Stephen has presented Law Society seminars and conference papers on mental health, family and property law topics.



Peter Moses, Barrister, Auckland

Peter specialises in immigration law. He started in this field as a Refugee Status Officer with the New Zealand Immigration Service. Since leaving the public sector in 2002 Peter has worked as a lawyer in private practice.

SPEAKERS



Neil Russ, Buddle Findlay, Auckland

Neil is a partner in Buddle Findlay's tax practice and has over 25 years' experience as a tax and finance practitioner in England and New Zealand. He is an expert in all New Zealand taxes, and has extensive experience advising banks, New Zealand and foreign corporates, funds and other investors on cross-border and domestic transactions. Neil is the Convenor of the NZLS Tax Law Committee.



Mary Joy Simpson, Hesketh Henry, Auckland

A specialist in trust and estate planning law, Mary Joy regularly reviews and provides advice on personal asset management plans. She is experienced in navigating issues arising for clients and families as they put in place, and act under, enduring powers of attorney. Mary Joy has previously presented for NZLS CLE on trust drafting and ADLS on enduring powers of attorney.



Lofi Talimalo, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, Auckland

Lofi has been involved in the tenancy sector for 16 years, first as a Tenancy Mediator for 11 years where she trained new mediators, and coordinated and delivered public education for landlords and tenants. She has been in her current Senior Engagement Advisor role specialising in stakeholder engagement for over five years. Lofi works with both tenant and landlord industry groups, such as the New Zealand Property Investors' Federation and the Tenants' Advocates Network, and currently leads the information and education pacific engagement strategy.

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