

PUBLIC ACCESS:

The Court of Appeal COVID Protocol was rescinded on 21 August 2023. However, if you are unwell, you are encouraged not to attend Court. If you are required to attend Court, please contact the Registry to discuss alternative arrangements.



DISCLAIMER:

This list is published by the Ministry of Justice on behalf of the Court of Appeal of New Zealand. The Ministry has taken all reasonable measures to ensure the quality and accuracy of the information contained in this list. **However, it is the responsibility of users of the information contained in this list to ensure compliance with conditions, including suppression, or other legal obligations governing access, release, storage and re-publication.**

This List has been published as at Friday 21 February 2025.

However, **this list may change significantly after the date of publication and may not reflect the Court's business on any given date. Therefore, this List is intended as a GUIDE ONLY.**

Enquiries:

Please contact the Court by phone on: **(04) 914 3540** or by email: courtsofappeal@justice.govt.nz between 9am and 5pm on weekdays (excluding public holidays and dates the Court is closed).

Locations:

The Court of Appeal is located at: [54 Molesworth St, Thorndon, Wellington](#). The Court also sits at the following High Courts (however, please note that all documents must be sent to the Court at the above Wellington address):

Auckland High Court (Historic Building) – [24 Waterloo Quadrant, Auckland](#)

Wellington High Court – [2 Molesworth Street, Wellington](#)

Christchurch High Court (Justice Precinct) – [20 Lichfield Street, Christchurch](#)

Dunedin High Court – [1 Stuart Street, Dunedin](#)

Sitting Hours:

The Court typically sits between 10am and 4pm with adjournments *roughly* from 11:30am – 11:45am and 1pm – 2:15pm. There is no afternoon adjournment.

Sitting hours and adjournments may be adjusted as required and may change at short notice.

Lower Court Judgments cited in this list may be found at the following links (if publicly available):

Senior Courts Judgments of Public Interest: <https://www.courtsofnz.govt.nz/judgments/>

District Court of New Zealand: <https://www.districtcourts.govt.nz/>

Judicial Decisions Online: <https://www.justice.govt.nz/courts/decisions/jdo/>

New Zealand Legal Information Institute (NZLII): http://www.nzlii.org/databases.html#nz_cases

Court types:

Full Court – A Court of five Court of Appeal Judges. See [s50 and s51 of the Senior Courts Act 2016](#)

Permanent Court – A Court consisting of three Court of Appeal Judges. See [s48\(1\)\(a\) of the Senior Courts Act 2016](#)

Divisional Court – A Court typically consisting of one Court of Appeal Judge and two High Court Judges. See [s48\(1\)\(c\)](#) and [s52 of the Senior Courts Act 2016](#)

For more information regarding Court types please see: <https://www.courtsofnz.govt.nz/the-courts/court-of-appeal/how-cases-are-heard/>

COURT OF APPEAL FIXTURE LIST – MARCH 2025

Session Week: Monday 3 March to Friday 7 March

Date	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 1	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 2
Monday 3 March		
Tuesday 4 March	<p>Court: French P, Thomas J, Woolford J</p> <p><u>CA82/2024</u> One Foundation Ltd And Ors (M S Smith, J W True) v The Minister of Internal Affairs (K B Bell) La Hood J [2023] NZHC 3869 <i>Appeal against unsuccessful judicial review of procedure followed in making the Gambling (Harm Prevention and Minimisation) Amendment Regs 2023.</i></p>	
Wednesday 5 March	<p>Court: Katz J, Thomas J, Whata J</p> <p><u>CA44/2024</u> Lynette Ann Chambers (G D Pearson, J C Ironside) v Cindy Mary Chambers & Anor (S W Sansom, A R Gilchrist, J C Ironside, A Habershon) McQueen J [2023] NZHC 3826 <i>Appeal from High Court decision determining claims against a deceased estate in equity, and under the Law Reform (Testamentary Promises) Act 1949 and the Family Protection Act 1955.</i></p>	
Thursday 6 March	<p>Court: French P, Katz J, Whata J</p> <p><u>CA760/2023</u> Karel Sroubek (R L Fletcher, B J Keith) v Minister of Immigration (S M Earl, M J Mortimer-Wang) Fitzgerald J [2023] NZHC 2717 <i>Appeal from High Court decision determining preliminary jurisdictional issues in relation to a challenge to liability for deportation.</i></p>	
Friday		

COURT OF APPEAL FIXTURE LIST – MARCH 2025

Session Week: Monday 10 March to Friday 14 March

Date	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 1	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 2
Monday 10 March <i>(Taranaki Anniversary Day)</i>	Court: Mallon J, Cooke J, Campbell J <u>CA287/2023 & CA773/2023 (to be heard together)</u> Grimshaw & Co (L J Taylor KC, P J Hunt, R Scott) v Body Corporate 207624 (D R Bigio KC, I Denton, S F Pearson) Tahana J [2023] NZHC 979 <i>Appeal and cross-appeal from High Court decision in relation to liability of body corporate legal advisers in connection with a litigation conduct and distribution agreement.</i>	
Tuesday 11 March	Court: Mallon J, Cooke J, Campbell J <u>CA287/2023 & CA773/2023 (to be heard together)</u> Grimshaw & Co (L J Taylor KC, P J Hunt, R Scott) v Body Corporate 207624 (D R Bigio KC, I Denton, S F Pearson) Tahana J [2023] NZHC 979 <i>Appeal and cross-appeal from High Court decision in relation to liability of body corporate legal advisers in connection with a litigation conduct and distribution agreement.</i>	
Wednesday 12 March	Court: Mallon J, Cooke J, Campbell J <u>CA287/2023 & CA773/2023 (to be heard together)</u> Grimshaw & Co (L J Taylor KC, P J Hunt, R Scott) v Body Corporate 207624 (D R Bigio KC, I Denton, S F Pearson) Tahana J [2023] NZHC 979 <i>Appeal and cross-appeal from High Court decision in relation to liability of body corporate legal advisers in connection with a litigation conduct and distribution agreement.</i>	
Thursday 13 March	Court: Mallon J, Cooke J, Campbell J <u>CA287/2023 & CA773/2023 (to be heard together)</u> Grimshaw & Co (L J Taylor KC, P J Hunt, R Scott) v Body Corporate 207624 (D R Bigio KC, I Denton, S F Pearson) Tahana J [2023] NZHC 979 <i>Appeal and cross-appeal from High Court decision in relation to liability of body corporate legal advisers in connection with a litigation conduct and distribution agreement.</i>	Court: Katz J, Thomas J, Ellis J <u>CA109/2024</u> Auckland Council (C M Meechan KC, S C Price, M J Ferrier, C M Fairmie) v Body Corporate 366567 And Ors (GM Illingworth KC, G B Lewis, S N Zellman, N P Prachankhet, D J Powell) <i>Application to amend grounds of cross-appeal under r34 of the Court of Appeal (Civil) Rules 2005</i>
Friday		

COURT OF APPEAL FIXTURE LIST – MARCH 2025

Session Week: Monday 17 March to Friday 21 March

Date	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 1	Permanent Court, Wellington Courtroom 2
Monday 17 March		
Tuesday 18 March	<p>Court: Thomas J, Hinton J, Whata J</p> <p><u>CA790/2023</u> Southern Ranges Limited (S P Rennie, F H Scarase) v Commissioner of Crown Lands (J Prebble, K Efondo, K Anderson) Osborne J [2023] NZHC 3471 <i>Appeal from High Court decision in relation to renewal of lease of land farmed as part of Mount White Station, and the reserve status of that land.</i></p>	
Wednesday 19 March	<p>Court: Thomas J, Hinton J, Whata J</p> <p><u>CA790/2023</u> Southern Ranges Limited (S P Rennie, F H Scarase) v Commissioner of Crown Lands (J Prebble, K Efondo, K Anderson) Osborne J [2023] NZHC 3471 <i>Appeal from High Court decision in relation to renewal of lease of land farmed as part of Mount White Station, and the reserve status of that land.</i></p>	
Thursday 20 March	<p>Court: French P, Katz J, Ellis J</p> <p><u>CA538/2023</u> Chief Executive of the Department of Corrections (D J Perkins, D P Neild) v Tariana Jones (V E Casey KC, A L Hill) Cooke J [2023] NZHC 2248 <i>Appeal from High Court judgment on the correct interpretation of ss 53 and 54 of The Corrections Act 2004.</i></p>	
Friday		

COURT OF APPEAL FIXTURE LIST – MARCH 2025

Circuit Week: Monday 24 March to Friday 28 March

Date	Divisional Court – Wellington, Courtroom 1 Court: Ellis J, Dunningham J, Harvey J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Woolford J, Muir J, Isac J	Divisional Court – Christchurch, Courtroom TBA Court: Palmer J, Brewer J, Gault J
<p>Monday 24 March</p> <p><i>(Otago Anniversary)</i></p>	<p><u>CA243/2024</u> Quentin Stobart Haines And Ors v Harry Memelink and Cisca Forster as Trustees of the Link Trust No. 1 (in receivership) Grice J [2024] NZHC 588 <i>Appeal from High Court decision determining quantum payable on claims based on assigned debts, following summary judgment on liability.</i></p> <p><u>CA453/2024</u> Tanya Maria Lieven (D Dewar) v Graeme Stephen Grieve (D S Lester) Gwyn J [2024] NZHC 1560 <i>Appeal from High Court judgment dismissing claim in relation to administration of trusts.</i></p>	<p><u>CA330/2024</u> Xinhong (Victor) Jia (B J Norling, W M Alexander) v Yuling Yang And Anor (D J Chisholm KC, J D Ryan) Brittain AJ [2024] NZHC 992 <i>Appeal from High Court judgment entering summary judgment for a debt.</i></p> <p><u>CA22/2024</u> Susana Makerita LEOTA-LU (R M Mansfield KC, H R Smith, R M Hurliman) v The King Conviction and sentence - Life imprisonment with a minimum period of imprisonment of 17 years Anderson J</p> <p><u>CA495/2024</u> Jacob Joseph WILLIAMS (D P H Jones KC) v The King Sentence – 20 years imprisonment Evangelos Thomas DCJ (AKA Judge Barney Thomas)</p>	<p><u>CA453/2023</u> E (K J Beaton KC) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 16 years imprisonment with a minimum period of imprisonment of 7 years 6 months Barkle DCJ</p> <p><u>CA482/2024</u> Benjamin Richard HENDERSON (A M Williams) v The King Conviction Appeal (prior to Sentencing) Crosbie DCJ</p> <p><u>CA425/2024</u> Leanna WYLIE (G H Vear, H L Beaven) v The King Sentence - 7 years 11 months imprisonment Crosbie DCJ, Farish DCJ</p>
<p>Tuesday 25 March</p>	<p><u>CA668/2023</u> Michael Victor HAWKINS (M J Phelps) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 13 years 6 months imprisonment with a minimum period of imprisonment of 6 years 6 months Earwaker DCJ</p> <p><u>CA563/2024</u> Warren George Michael KOBERSTEIN (P H Fisher) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 2 Years 4 Months Imprisonment; Indefinite Disqualification Order Prohibiting Ownership and Control of Farm Animals Snell DCJ</p> <p><u>CA785/2023</u> Sarvjeet SIDHU (P K Hamlin) v The King Sentence - 9 years 6 months imprisonment Woolford J</p>	<p><u>CA715/2023</u> H (N P Chisnall KC, Y Mortimer-Wang) v The King Conviction and sentence – 7 years 6 months imprisonment Sharp D DCJ</p>	<p><u>CA277/2024 & CA550/2024 (to be heard together)</u> FCL CL Limited (S A Grant, D M A Burgess) v Monique Hune Lynch and Luke Alexander Sansom And Anor (D G Chesterman, S Donaldson, H Cunninghame) Paulsen AJ</p> <p><u>CA167/2024</u> W (S A Saunderson-Warner) v Chief Executive of the Department of Corrections Extended Supervision Order – 5 years extended supervision Harland J</p> <p><u>CA682/2024</u> W (T Epati) v The King Pre-trial ruling: Admissibility of evidence Harvey DCJ</p>

Date	Divisional Court – Wellington <u>High Court</u> , CR3 Court: Ellis J, Dunningham J, Harvey J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Woolford J, Muir J, Isac J	Divisional Court – Christchurch, Courtroom TBA Court: Palmer J, Brewer J, Gault J
Wednesday 26 March	<u>CA740/2021</u> Jiann-Hwa MAA (H G De Groot) v The King Sentence and Conviction – Life imprisonment with a MPI of 14 years 6 months Gault J	<u>CA565/2023</u> Boston Liam WILSON (P K Hamlin) v The King (Z R Johnston) Conviction and Sentence – Life Imprisonment with an MPI of 15 Years Gordon J <u>CA365/2024</u> Aaron ALEXANDER (In Person) v The King Sentence and Conviction – 9 Months Home Detention Rielly DCJ <u>CA549/2024</u> Aren Thomas CURTIS (W T Nabney) v The King Sentence – 5 years 8 months imprisonment Bidois DCJ	<u>CA546/2023</u> B (A M S Williams) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 3 years imprisonment and \$52,000 reparation Neave DCJ <u>CA86/2024</u> Zahira Audrey Phillips (J Pietras) v Zarin Susan Hereimaia (N Burley) Paulsen AJ [2023] NZHC 3847 <i>Appeal from High Court Costs decision</i>
Date	Divisional Court – Wellington, Courtroom 1 Court: Ellis J, Dunningham J, Harvey J	Divisional Court – Auckland, Courtroom 2 Court: Woolford J, Muir J, Isac J	Divisional Court – Christchurch, Courtroom TBA Court: Palmer J, Brewer J, Gault J
Thursday 27 March	<u>CA179/2024 & CA575/2024</u> <u>CA179/2024</u> Tamati Kas SIMPSON (H G De Groot) v The King Conviction and Sentence – Life Imprisonment with an MPI of 10 Years Whata J <u>CA575/2024</u> M (H G De Groot, I A Jayanandan) v The King Conviction <u>CA608/2024</u> Kereopa Turepo TAIT (I A Jayanandan) v The King Sentence – 2 years 2 months imprisonment Moala DCJ <u>CA391/2024</u> A (M G Robinson) v The King Conviction and Sentence and Suppression – 6 months community detention and 200 hours community work Northwood DCJ	<u>CA680/2024</u> Sataua KELEKOLIO (A Gordon, G H Vear) v The King Conviction – 12 Months' Intensive Supervision and 2 Months' Community Detention Ruth DCJ <u>CA486/2024</u> Lani MANUKAU (A B Fairley) v The King Sentence – 8 years 6 months imprisonment de Ridder DCJ, McDonald DCJ <u>CA467/2024</u> Darren Andrew CREELMAN (J J Rhodes) v The King Sentence – 9 years imprisonment Sharp D DCJ	<u>CA196/2024</u> A (T D Harré) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 17.5 years imprisonment Savage DCJ <u>CA473/2024</u> Damian Patrick YOUNG (K H Cook) v The King Conviction and Sentence – 2 years and 7 months imprisonment Farish DCJ <u>CA348/2024</u> Triple Connection Limited (N Tabb) v Concept Builders Queenstown Limited (R P Conner, A Wang) Paulsen AJ [2024] NZHC 1049 <i>Appeal from High Court decision declining to set aside statutory demand.</i> <u>CA669/2024</u> Ross Gemmel FITZGERALD v The King Sentence – 3 years 3 months imprisonment Savage DCJ [2024] NZDC 24259
Friday			