

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

I TE KŌTI MANA NUI O AOTEAROA

SC 31/2024  
[2024] NZSC 92

BETWEEN KORO PUTUA  
Applicant  
AND ATTORNEY-GENERAL  
Respondent

Court: Glazebrook, Kós and Miller JJ  
Counsel: D A Ewen KC and M D N Harris for Applicant  
D Jones and S Cvitanovich for Respondent  
Judgment: 1 August 2024

JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

- A** Leave to appeal is granted (*Attorney-General v Putua* [2024] NZCA 67).
- B** The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to allow the appeal.

REASONS

[1] If counsel wish to contend that *Attorney-General v Chapman* should no longer remain good law in New Zealand, they must also address the circumstances in which this Court should overrule its prior decisions.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *Attorney-General v Chapman* [2011] NZSC 110, [2012] 1 NZLR 462.