

Jeremy Johnson

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Summary

Jeremy is an experienced litigator and dispute resolution specialist. He has expertise in commercial, insolvency, equity and trust law. For the past seven years' Jeremy has led the Dispute Resolution team at Wynn Williams.

Jeremy can quickly grasp a legal situation and provide accurate, commercially realistic advice at short notice. He is frequently instructed to appear as counsel in the courts and before arbitral tribunals. In the past year he has appeared as senior counsel in more than half a dozen hearings and has also appeared as junior counsel with some of New Zealand's leading barristers. As part of his practice he also often undertakes discreet work for high profile individuals and families.

Jeremy is recognised as being a leader in his field by The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2019, and is also recognised by the Chambers Asia-Pacific 2019 and Chambers Global 2019 legal guides. He is recommended for his "*outstanding service*" with "*the client-handling skills to make a top-class litigator*". One client describes him as an "*excellent strategic litigator and thinker. He is very responsive and well regarded by other practitioners, which makes negotiations more streamlined*".

Previous directories said that Jeremy is "*in a league of his own*", "*an excellent young lawyer who has a sharp intellect, and is a good tactician and a very good communicator. His approach in court is courteous and disarming*" while one impressed client enthused that he is "*probably the most outstanding young lawyer I have ever met*".

In addition Jeremy is a recognised leader in the community and has considerable governance experience.

Academics

BA, LLB (Hons), University of Canterbury (2008)

LLM, University of Cambridge (2012)

STEP Advanced Certificate in Trust Disputes (2017)

Australian Bar Association Advanced Trial Advocacy Course (2020)

Prizes

New Zealand Law Awards Young Private Practice Lawyer of the Year (2017)

FAMINZ (Arb) (2016)

FCIArb (2016)

Sir Ronald Davison Prize for Excellence in Arbitral Award Writing (2016)

Cleary Memorial Prize (2009)

Life Member, New Zealand Schools' Debating Council (2008)

Employment

Partner, Wynn Williams, 2013 - present

Senior Associate, Wynn Williams, 2012

Associate, Wynn Williams, 2010 - 2012

Solicitor, Wynn Williams, 2008 - 2010

Community

Deputy Legal Adviser, Primates of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, 2014 - present

Chancellor, Anglican Diocese of Christchurch, 2015-present

Vice-Chancellor, Anglican Diocese of Christchurch, 2008-2015

Chair, New Zealand String Quartet Trust, 2019-present

Trustee, New Zealand String Quartet Trust, 2018-2019

Member, Board of Governors, Christ's College, Canterbury, 2017-present

President, Christ's College Old Boys' Association, 2016-2018

Member of Board of Governors, College of St John the Evangelist, 2014-2018

Member, Legislation Advisory Committee, 2011-2018

Member, Legal Aid Review Panel, 2011-2012

Reported Decisions

- *Pisida Holdings Ltd v Darby* [2019] NZFLR 96
- *Cain v Mettrick* [2019] NZAR 668
- *Cullen Group Ltd v Commissioner of Inland Revenue* (2019) NZTC 24-003
- *McLaughlin v McLaughlin* (2018) 4 NZTR 28-033, [2019] NZAR 286
- *Commissioner of Inland Revenue v Cullen Group Ltd* (2018) 28 NZTC 23-059
- *Darlow v Raymond* [2017] 3 NZLR 353
- *Presbyterian Support (Upper South Island) v The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Ltd* [2017] NZAR 84
- *Re Utterson-Kelson (No 2)* [2015] NZAR 1488
- *Re Utterson-Kelson* [2015] NZAR 922
- *Cunningham v Butterfield* (2014) 22 PRNZ 521
- *J v J* [2015] NZAR 861
- *Satterthwaite v Gough Holdings Ltd* [2015] NZCCLR 15
- *Dalian Deepwater Developer Ltd v Dybdahl* [2015] 3 NZLR 260
- *Holler v Osaki* [2014] 3 NZLR 791
- *Great Christchurch Buildings Trust v Church Property Trustees* [2014] 3 NZLR 236
- *Gough v Strahl* [2013] 3 NZTR 23-019
- *Great Christchurch Buildings Trust v Church Property Trustees* [2013] 2 NZLR 230
- *Great Christchurch Buildings Trust v Church Property Trustees* [2013] 3 NZLR 597
- *Church Property Trustees v Attorney-General* [2013] 2 NZLR 428
- *AMI Insurance Ltd v Devcich* [2011] 16 ANZ Insurance Cases 61-895 (CA)
- *Howe v Keown* [2011] NZAR 764
- *F M Custodians Ltd v Pinot Rouge New Zealand Ltd* [2011] 12 NZCPR 155
- *Hagaman v Fairbank* [2010] 20 PRNZ 68 (CA)
- *Kain v Hutton* [2008] 3 NZLR 589 (SCNZ)