

# JEREMY JOHNSON

## BARRISTER

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### Summary

Jeremy is an experienced litigator and dispute resolution specialist. He has expertise in commercial, insolvency, relationship property, equity and trust law. 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 and he is recognised as a leading senior junior with considerable experience in leading multi-week trials against senior counsel. As part of his practice he also often undertakes discreet work for high profile individuals and families.

Jeremy was recognised as being a leader in his field by The Legal 500 Asia Pacific 2019, and since joining the Bar he has been recognised by the Chambers Asia-Pacific 2022 and 2023 legal guides being ranked as Band 2 for 2023. 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". Another client said he was "*arguably the smartest lawyer with whom I have engaged*". 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*".

Jeremy works on cases across New Zealand and in the wider Asia-Pacific Region. He is a member of Bankside Chambers in Singapore and he is registered with the Singapore International Commercial Court.

Jeremy is a member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) and holds a STEP Advanced Certificate in Trust Disputes, placing first in his global class. He was the youngest person to become a Fellow of the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand. He also received the Ronald Davison Award for excellence in arbitral award writing.

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

### Employment

- **Barrister and Arbitrator**, Bankside Chambers, 2020-present
- **Partner**, Wynn Williams, 2013 - 2020
- **Senior Associate**, Wynn Williams, 2012
- **Associate**, Wynn Williams, 2010 - 2012
- **Solicitor**, Wynn Williams, 2008 - 2010

### Academic Qualifications

- University of Canterbury, **Bachelor of Laws with First Class Honours and Bachelor of Arts** (2008)
- University of Cambridge, **Master of Laws with First Class Honours** (2012)
- **STEP Advanced Certificate** in Trust Disputes (2017)
- Australian Bar Association **Advanced Trial Advocacy Course** (2020)

### Admission

- Admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor of the **High Court of New Zealand** (2008)
- Admitted as a Legal Practitioner of the **Supreme Court of New South Wales** (2019)
- Admitted as a Foreign Lawyer with the **Singapore International Commercial Court** (2023)

## Memberships

- New Zealand Law Society
- New Zealand Bar Association
- Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand (**Fellow**)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (**Fellow**)
- Ecclesiastical Law Society
- Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners

## 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)

## Community

- Deputy Legal Adviser, **Primates of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia**, 2014 - present
- Chancellor, **Anglican Diocese of Waiapu**, 2021-present
- Chancellor, **Anglican Diocese of Christchurch**, 2015-2020
- 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

## All Decisions (2019-2023)

- *Green & McCahill Holdings Ltd v Williams* [2023] NZHC 919
- *Green & McCahill Holdings Ltd v Williams* [2022] NZHC 3621
- *Zheng v Jun Yue Investments Ltd* [2022] NZHC 3605
- *Crawford v Bacon* [2022] NZHC 3085
- *X v Y* (a two-week private arbitration; decision 19 October 2022)
- *Northash Ltd v Zeff Farms Ltd* [2022] NZCA 471
- *CSR Pokeno Ltd v YES Investment NZ Ltd* [2022] NZHC 2379
- *NZ Cash Flow Control Ltd v Attorney-General* [2022] NZHC 2351
- *Re Trevor Wilson Trustee Ltd* [2022] NZHC 2118
- *McLaughlin v McLaughlin* [2022] NZHC 181
- *Clearmont (Queenstown) Ltd v Redwood Group Ltd* [2022] NZHC 1567
- *Stratford v Moses* [2022] NZHC 1463
- *Kain v Public Trust* (2022) 5 NZTR 32-008
- *Green & McCahill Holdings Ltd v Ara Weiti Developments Ltd* [2022] NZCA 218

- *Kain v Public Trust* [2022] NZSC 65, (2022) 5 NZTR 32-006
- *Banks v Farmer* [2022] NZHC 458
- *JH v LN* [2022] NZFC 771
- *Cartwright v Reid* [2021] NZDC 23939
- *Kain v Public Trust* [2021] NZCA 685, (2021) 5 NZTR 31-020
- *McLaughlin v McLaughlin* [2021] NZHC 3015, (2021) 5 NZTR 31-017
- *Dempsey Wood Civil Ltd v Gapes* [2021] NZHC 2941
- *Dempsey Wood Civil Ltd v Gapes* [2021] NZHC 2933
- *Dempsey Wood Civil Ltd v Gapes* [2021] NZHC 2362
- *Banks v Farmer* [2021] NZHC 1922
- *Church Property Trustees v Carrell* [2021] NZHC 1130
- *J v J* [2021] NZCA 181
- *Public Trust v Kain* [2021] NZHC 1000, (2021) 5 NZTR 31-002
- *Fullarton v Arowana International Ltd* [2021] NZHC 931
- *J v J* [2021] NZHC 331
- *Coughlan v Enright* [2021] NZFC 1637
- *Green & McCahill Holdings Ltd v Ara Weiti Developments Ltd* [2021] NZHC 219, (2021) 21 NZCPR 844
- *KME Services NZ Pty Ltd v CPB Contractors Pty Ltd* [2021] NZHC 212, [2021] 2 NZLR 315
- *J v J* [2021] NZHC 96, [2021] NZFLR 145
- *Jacanna Holdings Ltd v Pacific Auto Carrier (NZ) Ltd* [2020] NZHC 3308
- *J v J* [2020] NZHC 2887, [2020] NZFLR 594
- *Li v 110 Formosa (NZ) Ltd* [2020] NZCA 492
- *Cain v Mettrick* [2020] NZHC 2597
- *J v J* [2020] NZHC 2197
- *Cain v Mettrick* [2020] NZHC 2197
- *Autoterminal International Ltd v Lofa Trustee Ltd* [2020] NZHC 1843
- *Norris v PR Law Queenstown No 1 Trustees Ltd (in liq)* [2020] NZHC 1746
- *PR Law Queenstown No 1 Trustee Ltd (in liq) v Norris* [2020] NZHC 1397, (2020) 5 NZTR 30-020
- *Smith v Shaw* [2020] NZHC 1229, (2020) 5 NZTR 30-007
- *Mackintosh v Thomas* [2020] NZHC 860
- *Cain v Mettrick* [2020] NZHC 545, (2020) 25 PRNZ 173
- *Property Brokers Ltd v Hastings McLeod Real Estate Ltd* [2020] NZHC 271
- *Smith v Shaw* [2020] NZHC 238, [2020] 3 NZLR 661
- *Gloria Jean's Coffees International Pty Ltd v Daboko Ltd* [2020] NZHC 29, [2020] 2 NZLR 488
- *Banks v Farmer* [2019] NZHC 3415
- *Northlake Investments Ltd v Wanaka Medical Centre Ltd* [2019] NZHC 3443
- *Glasgow Harley Trustee Ltd v McLaughlin* [2019] NZHC 3385, (2019) 5 NZTR 29-033

- *Cullen Group Ltd v Commissioner of Inland Revenue* [2019] NZHC 3110, (2019) 29 NZTC 24-024, (2019) 24 PRNZ 703
- *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

### **Reported Decisions (2008-2019)**

- *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)