

WAITANGI TRIBUNAL

Wai 3343

CONCERNING

the Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975

AND

the Constitutional (Waitaha Grandfathers Council) claim

MEMORANDUM-DIRECTIONS OF THE DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON

The Registrar is directed to add to Wai 3343 an amended statement of claim received on 16 April 2024 and to record its date of receipt in the register of claims.

This amendment seeks to add further allegations to the claim concerning the proposed Treaty Principles Bill. The claimants allege the Crown has breached the principles of te Tiriti o Waitangi by:

- attempting to supplant the interpretive role of the Tribunal and the Courts in relation to Aotearoa New Zealand's foundational document;
- ignoring that a fundamental tenant of this country's legal system is the rule of law, and instead of allowing the Courts to evolve and apply the principles, is promoting a regime which enables the "tyranny of the majority";
- failing to actively protect Māori Tiriti rights; and
- failing to be a good Tiriti partner by acting in bad faith and engaging in an avaricious power grab without any regard for the harm to be caused to Māori, nor any cognisance of, nor recognition of, the basic rights of Māori as set out in te Tiriti.

This amendment also seeks to add a variety relief, including recommendations that the Crown:

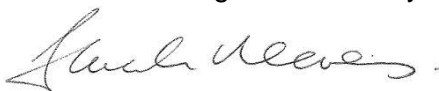
- cease all work on the Treaty Principles Bill; and
- engage with the claimants and relevant Māori organisations, in the Treaty Clauses Review, and should it wish to enact amendments to any of the existing Treaty Clauses, then the widespread approval of Māori and the claimants is required.

The amendment is to be entered on Wai 3343, the Constitutional (Waitaha Grandfathers Council) claim, as document #1.1.1(a).

The Registrar is to send a copy of this direction to the claimants and give notice of the amendment to those on the notification list for:

- Wai 3343, the Constitutional (Waitaha Grandfathers Council) claim; and
- Wai 3300, Tomokia ngā tatau o Matangireia – the Constitutional Kaupapa Inquiry.

DATED at Wellington this 3rd day of September 2024.



Judge Sarah Reeves
Deputy Chairperson

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