

# TAIOPENGA RAPUARA CAREERS FAIRS 2026



## Law Recruitment Evening

Thursday 19 March,  
Rātā

# Rātā Floor Plan

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## Booth Allocations – Rātā

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| 10           | Anderson Lloyd                                 |
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## Anderson Lloyd

At Anderson Lloyd, meaningful work meets genuine support.

We're a national law firm partnering with many of New Zealand's leading businesses on transactions, projects, and disputes that shape industries and strengthen communities. You'll work alongside industry-leading, approachable people and have access to technology and resources that help you excel.

Our culture is truly collaborative and teams across offices work together, share knowledge, and celebrate success. We invest in learning, mentoring, and professional growth, while creating a supportive, flexible environment that champions wellbeing and balance.

We're deeply engaged with the communities we serve through sustainability programmes, diversity initiatives, and active pro bono work. Alongside competitive remuneration and attractive benefits, you'll enjoy regular social events and a welcoming atmosphere.

If you're looking for a place that cares about your future and wellbeing - inside and outside the office - you'll find it here.

Learn more at [al.nz](http://al.nz).



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lloyd.**

## Bell Gully

Bell Gully is one of Aotearoa New Zealand's leading commercial law firms, with offices in Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland and Te Whanganui-a-Tara Wellington. We work with many of the country's most innovative organisations, supporting clients on major transactions, litigation, regulatory matters, and emerging issues shaping the future of business.

Each year, we offer Summer Intern and Graduate opportunities for students who are passionate about commercial law, problem-solving, and working in a collaborative, high-performing environment. We welcome applications from students across all law faculties and value strong communication skills, curiosity, integrity, and the ability to build positive relationships.

Our interns experience a meaningful blend of real legal work, training sessions, workshops, and social events. You'll rotate through practice areas, have a dedicated buddy and mentor, and receive ongoing support from our People & Culture and Graduate Recruitment teams. Many of our interns return as graduates and build long-term careers with the firm.

Bell Gully is proudly recognised for our commitment to excellence, innovation, and Te Tiriti responsiveness. We are consistently ranked in top legal directories and have been acknowledged for our pro bono work, sustainability initiatives, and inclusive workplace culture.

If you're looking to grow your skills, contribute to impactful work, and join a firm that genuinely invests in its people, we'd love to connect with you.



**Bell Gully**

## Buddle Findlay

Buddle Findlay is a leading New Zealand commercial and public law firm, with offices in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, and a global reach of contacts and experience. Our team is focused on our clients and their businesses and is dedicated to providing expert advice with a strategic and commercial approach. We are acknowledged as a market leader in collaborative working relationships with our clients. We also take pride in our reputation as pragmatic, solution focused and approachable legal advisers. Our summer clerk programme is designed for law students in their penultimate year looking to gain real life experience over the university summer break. As a summer clerk you will have the opportunity to immerse yourself in our many practice areas, learn alongside experts in their field and get involved in client facing work from the get-go. With a culture of mentoring and support, you will be given all the tools you need to grow and succeed!



**BUDDLE  
FINDLAY**

## Chapman Tripp

Chapman Tripp's clerkship programmes offer law students an exceptional opportunity to experience life at one of New Zealand's leading commercial law firms. Our Summer Clerkship is designed for penultimate-year law students seeking practical legal experience, mentorship, and insight into the dynamic world of commercial law. Our Winter Clerkship is tailored for anti-penultimate students who are eager to explore the profession and gain early exposure to commercial law practice.

As a Chapman Tripp clerk, you will work alongside some of the country's most respected lawyers on real client matters, gaining hands-on experience across a range of practice areas, including corporate, litigation, banking and finance, property, and more. You will be assigned to a team, where you will assist with research, drafting documents, attending client meetings, and contributing to projects that make a real impact.

Our clerkships run for several weeks over the university winter and summer breaks. Throughout your time with us, you will receive dedicated training, regular feedback, and support from a supervising partner or senior lawyer. You will also have the chance to participate in firm events, networking opportunities, and social activities, helping you build lasting relationships with colleagues and peers.

Chapman Tripp values diversity, innovation, and professional growth. We are committed to fostering a supportive and inclusive environment where your unique perspectives are valued. Many of our clerks go on to secure graduate roles with us, making this a valuable first step towards a successful legal career.

Applications open in March each year. For more information, visit our website or speak to our team at the Law Recruitment Evening.



## Community Law Canterbury

Community Law is a free legal service committed to making justice accessible to everyone in Christchurch and the wider Canterbury area. We support individuals with legal advice such as Family law, tenancy, employment etc. At the heart of our mahi are our volunteer law students and experience practitioners who have a passion for people, promoting fairness, and building safer more resilient communities.



## Corcoran French

Corcoran French is the perfect launchpad for your legal career! Known for its exceptional legal services, we offer a dynamic environment where you can truly make your mark.

Our culture is what sets us apart from other firms. It's exceptional and we work hard to maintain it. At the heart of our culture, is our people. At Corcoran French, we ensure that we truly understand you – your aspirations, what is important to you, and what drives you to be the best version of you. It's important to us to create an environment where you can thrive and where you are celebrated for being you.

We're passionate about professional development, providing countless opportunities for growth and advancement. You'll be part of a supportive team that values your contributions and encourages you to reach your full potential, and you'll be involved in challenging and interesting work from day 1, working alongside some of the best in the business.

We enjoy having a laugh, and we always have each other's backs. Our social club is incredibly active and creating space to spend quality time together is essential. There is always something going on!

Corcoran French proudly supports Ronald McDonald House South Island and have been room sponsors since 2015. We are also sponsors of the Kaiapoi Art Expo and the Kaiapoi Rugby Football Club. In addition to these primary community sponsorships, we also regularly support several smaller community initiatives.



## Dentons

At Dentons, we don't just offer jobs – we invest in careers.

Our graduate programme is designed to launch the next generation of legal professionals by providing hands-on experience, mentorship, and real opportunities to make an impact.



## DLA Piper

Where law unlocks potential.

At DLA Piper, we are a world of opportunity and the key to a global career. Here, you will have the freedom to seize opportunities, discover your own path, and make an extraordinary impact beyond the borders of traditional law.

DLA Piper New Zealand is part of one of the world's largest law firms, with more than 6,000 lawyers across 90+ offices in 40+ countries. From our Auckland and Wellington offices, we offer multiple pathways for students, including Summer Clerkships and graduate roles, providing hands-on experience, mentoring, and early responsibility across practice areas such as corporate, litigation, real estate, finance, technology and environmental law.

We welcome applications from law students who demonstrate sharp analytical thinking, clear written and verbal communication, commercial awareness, curiosity, integrity, and a collaborative mindset. Initiative, client focus, and adaptability are key to thriving here.

Our people work on exciting, high-impact projects, advising on innovation, sustainability and transformative transactions that shape markets and communities. Last year, the firm contributed more than 243,000 hours to pro bono and community engagement, reflecting our commitment to responsible business and societal impact. DLA Piper was named Best New Zealand Law Firm at the Beaton Client Choice Awards 2025.

Join us to unlock your potential and build a career with global reach and local impact.

Opportunity, unlocked.



## Duncan Cotterill

Thinking about applying for a Grad or Summer Clerk role at Duncan Cotterill? Curious to hear more? Applications are open from the start of March.

Come along to meet some of the team from Duncan Cotterill. Hear about upcoming Summer Clerk and Graduate opportunities, how to maximise your application for these roles, as well as a bit of insight into what life is like at DC!



## Harmans Lawyers

The key differentiator of Harmans Lawyers is its long-standing commitment to providing accessible, value-added legal services with a personal touch. We remain large enough to offer a wide range of services, but small enough to ensure that our client-first value is never compromised.

Hard work and quality advice is at the heart of the service we offer our clients. To deliver the best outcome, we continuously improve our expertise through education and collaboration, utilising the vast range of talents across our team.

To be the best for our clients, we need to be the best version of ourselves. We are committed to looking after all aspects of our wellbeing for ourselves, our clients, our families, and our communities.

We value community. We support many charities through ongoing donations, sponsorship of events, fundraising initiatives, as well as offering legal services and volunteering. We encourage our staff to take a day's paid leave each year to work with a charity of their choice.

Establishing rapport and a trusting relationship with you is fundamental to how we operate. We will listen carefully to ensure that we understand your needs, then fully explain the various options available to you.



## Institute of Professional Legal Studies (IPLS)

The Institute of Professional Legal Studies (IPLS) delivers the Profs course for law graduates, providing them with the practical legal skills required for admission to the bar and helping them transition confidently into professional practice.



## Lane Neave

Lane Neave is a leading national law firm with offices in Christchurch, Queenstown, Wellington, and Auckland. For us, it's about doing great work and having a great time doing it — making meaningful contributions along the way. Talk to us about our Summer Clerkships: a paid 12-week internship for penultimate-year law students.



## Ministry for Regulation

The Ministry for Regulation is a small government agency with a big job to do. We're responsible for helping other government agencies make their rules and regulations easier for New Zealanders to understand and navigate. The Ministry offers internship and graduate opportunities in Wellington, with advertising expected to commence mid-year. We're keen to meet students who are studying law and are interested in kicking off a meaningful career in the public service.



**Ministry for Regulation**  
**Te Manatū Waeture**

## Ministry of Social Development

The Ministry of Social Development's Policy Graduate Programme provides a supportive, values driven workplace, bringing together a community of problem solvers who thrive on embracing differences and influencing initiatives that impact the lives of New Zealanders. Our Grads are given the foundations for success, and the opportunity to fast-track to a permanent policy analyst role advising the Government of the day. We welcome applications from graduates with diverse disciplines and lived experiences with skills in problem solving, analysis and critical thinking.



**MINISTRY OF SOCIAL  
DEVELOPMENT**  
TE MANATŪ WHAKAHIATO ORA

## MinterEllisonRuddWatts

MinterEllisonRuddWatts is a top tier corporate law firm with offices in Auckland and Wellington. Our firm is a full service law firm with market leading experts in all of our practice areas and excellent connections in Australia and around the world. We are proud to have won numerous awards including being named New Zealand's Law Firm of the Year at the prestigious Chambers Asia Pacific Awards 2024 - for the third time since 2017.

For students looking to launch their legal careers in a top tier firm with excellent opportunities, MinterEllisonRuddWatts provides an inclusive and supportive environment where you can grow, be mentored, and make a meaningful impact from day one.

Come and talk to us about your career goals and how to start your legal career with us.



**MinterEllisonRuddWatts.**

## New Zealand Defence Force

As New Zealand's Defence Force, we run deep. Our shared purpose and experiences forge unbreakable bonds. When you run with us, you'll work as part of a tight-knit team within the Navy, Army or Air Force, protecting your people, your country and the environment. We work shoulder-to-shoulder, always backing each other and proudly representing Aotearoa wherever we go.

We are seeking Law graduates to join our team as Legal Officers. Legal Officers often experience an enduring sense of purpose attached to the work they do and are rewarded with the knowledge that their contribution has had a direct and valued influence on matters important to New Zealand. Legal Officers are uniformed members of the New Zealand Defence Force and will hold rank in either the Navy, Army or Air Force. The Defence Legal Service is made up of officers from all three services and Legal Officers will advise across all three services regardless of their chosen service.



## Parry Field Lawyers

Parry Field Lawyers are committed to supporting the next generation of legal professionals. Each year we welcome law students into our Summer Clerk Programme, designed to give you meaningful, hands-on experience across a wide variety of legal work.

As a summer clerk, you will join a supportive team and have the opportunity to build your career and receive mentorship from leading Partners, Associates and Solicitors in our core practice areas: charity, commercial, disputes, for-purpose, immigration, and property. You will be involved in real work from day one, including legal research, drafting documents, attending client meetings, and supporting active matters. You won't just be observing – you'll be an integral part of our team.

Our personable approach and strong client relationships underpin the high-quality service the firm provides. We aim to not only to provide sound legal advice, but to also find solutions which deliver the best practical outcome for those we represent. We see our clients in a rounded way and want to get 'to the heart of what matters' to them.

With five offices in Christchurch CBD, Riccarton, Rolleston, Hokitika, and Auckland, and around 100 staff, Parry Field Lawyers are focused on supporting our people to succeed in meaningful work while fostering a connected and people-focused team culture.



## PwC

PwC New Zealand is a leading professional services firm across assurance, consulting, tax, deals and digital. Student opportunities typically include Summer Internships and Graduate roles across these areas; check [pwc.co.nz/careers](https://pwc.co.nz/careers) for current openings.



## Russell McVeagh

Russell McVeagh is one of New Zealand's leading law firms, working on some of the country's biggest deals and projects. With offices in Auckland, Wellington and Queenstown they offer opportunities to learn from top lawyers in areas like corporate law, finance, litigation, and property. The firm is known for innovation, sustainability, and a supportive culture — making it a great place to kick-start your legal career.



Russell  
McVeagh

## Saunders Robinson Brown Limited

We are a law firm with strong capabilities and market leading expertise.

Saunders Robinson Brown Limited (SRB) provides professional legal advice on commercial and company law, property law, trusts and estates, civil litigation and dispute resolution, employment law and family law. In addition to these core practice areas, SRB also provides specialist advice in insurance law, sports law and rural law.

Our people are the heart of our firm. We are committed to growing a strong, supportive, and inclusive culture.

Our Summer Clerkship is designed to provide the support and mentorship you need to succeed, not only as a student, but as a future lawyer as well.

You will build relationships, receive on the job training and get involved in hands-on work, while spending time working in each of our practice areas. It's not all work and no play – we'll get you involved in the social side of the firm too!



Saunders  
Robinson  
Brown

## Simpson Grierson

Simpson Grierson is a top commercial law firm and a great place to start your career. As a summer clerk or law graduate you'll work alongside some of Aotearoa's leading lawyers and have the opportunity to get involved in real client work, advise on leading commercial transactions and tackle major projects.

We'll give you plenty of support and opportunities to shape your career.



SIMPSON  
GRIERSON

## Tavendale and Partners Limited

Tavendale + Partners is a national full-service law firm with strong ties to Christchurch and the University of Canterbury. We're best known for our pragmatic, commercial approach to supporting our clients and our people centric culture. Integral to this is our market-leading development programme for young lawyers that starts with a summer clerkship that offers more than a 'sit in and observe' experience.

Our summer clerk programme is built around variety and real involvement in the work of the firm. You'll work alongside lawyers in different teams, encouraged and supported to make meaningful contributions during your time with us. You will also have the opportunity to lead research projects and attend weekly training sessions designed to grow your understanding of the various areas of legal practice.

Throughout the summer, you'll be supported both by your supervisors and dedicated mentor, with regular check-ins focused on building your confidence and maximising learning opportunities. You'll leave us with a genuine feel for what practising law is like day-to-day, and the space to work out whether it's the right path for you.

We recruit summer clerks across our offices in Auckland, Nelson, Christchurch, and Ashburton, so we are keen to meet you whether you plan to stay in Canterbury or start your legal career in another part of Aotearoa.



## The College of Law NZ

The College of Law is New Zealand's leading provider of Profs (Professional Legal Studies Course), a mandatory programme for those who wish to be admitted as a barrister and solicitor in New Zealand. We work closely with law students and graduates as they prepare to enter the profession and transition into legal practice.

Alongside Profs, we also provide postgraduate and CPD (Continuing Professional Development) programmes for lawyers wanting to upskill and progress their careers. Our programmes are designed to support legal professionals at different stages of their careers, from graduation through to practice.



## Wotton Kearney

Wotton Kearney is NZ's largest dedicated insurance law, dispute resolution, and litigation practice. Founded in 2002, we've grown from two partners in Sydney to a team of 700+ professionals across 10 offices in Australia, New Zealand, Singapore and Thailand.

In NZ, our offices in Tāmaki Makaurau | Auckland, Ōtautahi | Christchurch, Te Whanganui-a-Tara | Wellington and a hub in Tauranga are home to over 100 talented people. We're the law firm of choice for leading insurers, brokers, and industry players, specialising in complex disputes and litigation strategies that deliver results.

Our expertise spans construction, energy, financial services, healthcare, manufacturing, property, public sector, retail, SME, sports, technology, and transport. What sets us apart? A culture that blends high performance with a relaxed and approachable style - we're not your typical law firm.

We're looking for applicants for our 2027 Graduate Programme - an opportunity to launch your career with a market leader in insurance law and dispute resolution.



## Wynn Williams

Wynn Williams is a full-service law firm, with an impressive team of 26 Partners and 150+ lawyers and support staff, based across Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland, Ōtautahi Christchurch and Tāhuna Queenstown.

We're recognised by clients and peers alike for our expertise in litigation and dispute resolution, local government and environmental law, corporate advisory and transactions, and for our specialist insurance, property, construction and employment capability.







