



Abuse in Care

Royal Commission of Inquiry

Royal Commission of Inquiry into Historical Abuse in State Care and in the Care of Faith-based Institutions

Expressions of Interest – Counsel to Assist

The Abuse in Care Royal Commission seeks expressions of interest from junior, intermediate and senior lawyers wishing to be considered for appointment as Counsel to Assist the Inquiry in 2021.

The Royal Commission is investigating the abuse and neglect of children, young people and vulnerable adults who were in the care of State and faith-based institutions from 1950 to 1999. It is also examining experiences of abuse in care before and after that period to inform its findings and recommendations. The Royal Commission Chair is Judge Coral Shaw, and Simon Mount QC and Kerry Beaton are appointed as Senior Counsel Assisting. The Royal Commission's reporting date is 3 January 2023.

The Commission requires a team of additional counsel to provide hearing, investigative and advisory functions. In 2019, it established a panel of lawyers from which appointments as Counsel to Assist are made by the Solicitor-General in accordance with the Inquiries Act 2013, and consistent with the normal expectations of engagement with the Crown.

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Expressions of interest, including a curriculum vitae, should be emailed to recruitment@abuseincare.org.nz by **22 December 2020**.

