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He rōia ahau.

I am a lawyer.

Tēnā, e te Kōti, ...

May it please the Court, ...



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Tēnā, e te Kaiwhakawā, ...

May it please Your Honour, ...

E whakakanohi ana ahau i a [ingoa].

I appear for [name].









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Ko taku kiritaki tērā, ko [ingoa].

That is my client (over there), [name].

Ka mātua i konā te kēhi mō [ingoa].

That completes the case for [name].



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Kua pau katoa āku pātai i tēnei wā.

No further questions at this time.

Tēnā, tukuna ahau kia haere.

I seek Your Honour's leave to be excused.





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Ka mātua aku tāpaetanga i tēnā.

Those are counsel's submissions.

Me mātua whakaae te Kōti ...

The Court must first be satisfied that ...



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E tū ngātahi ana māua ko [ingoa], taku pou whirinaki mō tēnei kerēme.

I am accompanied by my learned Junior, [name].



