

WAITANGI TRIBUNAL APPLICATION FOR MEDIA COVERAGE

To the chairperson/presiding officer:



1. We request permission to:

- (a) film for television
 - (b) take still photographs for
 - (c) record for the purpose of radio
- the following proceedings:

Event name _____

Scheduled start date _____

2. Particularise the purpose and extent of the proposed recording:

3. Expected dates of coverage _____

4. [In the case of television or radio] Name of programme or programmes in which the film or recording may be used

5. The following conditions of coverage should apply:

- (a) Waitangi Tribunal Practice Note
Guide to Practice and Procedure section 5:14 (as attached)
- (b) The presiding officer's ruling or the Standard Conditions for Media Coverage

Applicant information:

Applicant's name _____

On behalf of (media entry) _____

Business address _____

Postal address _____

Email address _____

Telephone number _____

Fax number _____

Signed _____

Date _____

For Office Use Only

Approved Declined

Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

Signed _____

Waitangi Tribunal Practice Note - *Guide to the Practice and Procedure of the Waitangi Tribunal - April 2009* - "5.14 Media", page 33-34

Available from: <http://www.waitangi-tribunal.govt.nz/doclibrary/public/GuidetoPractice2009.pdf>

5.14 Media

The Tribunal allows the media to record and broadcast proceedings for normal news and current-affairs programmes and articles on the following basis:

- ▶ The presiding officer has given prior approval before any recording is made.
- ▶ A request to record proceedings was submitted to the presiding officer, either through the registrar or through the Tribunal staff in attendance at the proceedings, at least one working day before the date on which the recording is to be made. The request may be made orally or in writing.
- ▶ The request must sufficiently particularise the purpose and extent of the proposed recording.
- ▶ The recording must comply with all relevant Tribunal directions, including any directions that limit the use of, and access to, particular evidence or submissions.
- ▶ The recording must be carried out in such a way that it does not interfere with the conduct of the proceedings, the confidentiality of discussions amongst Tribunal members and Tribunal staff, or the confidentiality of counsel's discussions with each other and with clients and witnesses.
- ▶ The recording must be used in a way that gives an accurate, impartial, and balanced coverage of the proceedings and the parties and other persons involved.
- ▶ Witnesses may object to having their image or their testimony, or both, recorded. If necessary, the objection will be determined by the presiding officer.
- ▶ The live broadcasting of proceedings is not generally permitted.

While those involved in proceedings may make statements to the media in the course of the proceedings, the Tribunal urges caution and restraint where that is done, so as not to inflame what often are, or can become, sensitive situations surrounding Tribunal inquiries.