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“Shoot for the Stars”

PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2018

**Thursday 30th August 2018 - 12pm to 7pm
Rydges Latimer Square Christchurch**

"Shoot for the Stars"

The Canterbury Women's Legal Association with the generous support of our sponsors, is delighted to present The Hon Justice Ellen France, Joanna Norris, Simon Challies, The Hon Nikki Kaye, and Nadia Lim. The Conference will be chaired by Professor Ursula Cheer and it will be opened by The Governor-General The Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy. As with other years, this conference is aimed at all professional women and aspiring students so don't miss out on this event. We look forward to seeing you and shooting for the stars.

The Governor-General The Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy

Dame Patsy grew up in the Waikato and graduated from Victoria University with an LLM (First Class Honours). Before becoming Governor-General, she had a career in law, business, and the public sector, notably becoming the first female partner in the law firm Watts and Patterson. Dame Patsy had governance roles at several leading New Zealand companies. Her public sector work has included work on pay equity, reviews of New Zealand Intelligence and Security, and the performance of several government agencies. She also acted as Chief Crown Negotiator of Treaty Settlements for Tauranga Moana and Te Toko Toru. Dame Patsy's passion for the arts is reflected in her past governance roles at the New Zealand Film Commission, the New Zealand International Festival of the Arts, the Victoria University Foundation, the Victoria University Art Collection Trust, the Spark Art Trust, the Wellington Jazz Festival Trust, the Symphony Orchestra Foundation, and the New Zealand Film Archive. As Governor-General, Dame Patsy's focus is on support for the arts, innovation, cultural diversity and initiatives that support sustainability and the environment. Dame Patsy is married to Sir David Gascoigne.



Professor Ursula Cheer

Graduating with Honours from Canterbury Law School in 1982 Ursula practised as a lawyer for six years before moving to Wellington as a speech writer to the Minister of Justice and legal



advisor to the Prime Minister. In 1989, She moved to the UK and spent a year finishing her Masters degree at Cambridge University, with a thesis on Censorship. Appointment in the UK civil service followed, as a Senior Legal Advisor to the Lord Chancellor, in the UK Law Commission. She became Lecturer in Law at Canterbury Law School in 1994 and completed her PhD in 2009, on the effects of our defamation laws on media in this country. She specialises in Media Law and is the author of Burrows and Cheer on Media Law in New Zealand (7th ed, 2015). She has a regular slot on National Radio and was appointed a Professor at the University of Canterbury in 2012, and Dean of the Law School in 2016.

Joanna Norris

Joanna Norris is the Chief Executive of ChristchurchNZ, the city's economic development and city profile agency charged with igniting bold ambition for Ōtautahi Christchurch.



Joanna joined ChristchurchNZ in October 2017 and is passionate about the city and region and the role of ChristchurchNZ to ignite excitement, connect changemakers and grow confidence. An ardent city leader, Joanna, is focussed on growing the city's reputation as a vibrant and exciting place surrounded by mountains and beaches - a place where our people explore new ideas and ways of living and innovate in business, technology and society. Previously Joanna was the Editor of the Press and South Island Editor in Chief for Fairfax Media and worked as a journalist in NZ, the UK and the Middle East.

The Honourable Justice Ellen France

Justice Ellen France has an LLB (Hons) from Auckland University and an LLM from Queen's University, Ontario. Before being appointed to the High Court in April 2002 she was a senior legal adviser in the Department of Justice Law Reform Division; Crown Counsel and then

Deputy Solicitor-General in the Crown Law Office. She was appointed a Judge of the Court of Appeal in June 2006. She was made President of the Court of Appeal with effect from 1 September 2014. On 22 July 2016, she was appointed a Supreme Court Judge.



Nadia Lim

'Nude Food' advocate Nadia Lim is all about everyday simple, healthy, delicious food. As a budding young cook, (who's idol was Jamie Oliver), when she was just 12 years old she came up with the idea of 'Nude Food', and it has been her mantra ever since. She wasn't referring to cooking or eating in the nude, in case that's what you were thinking! Rather, Nude Food signifies fresh, natural, real food, which is free from being dressed up in fancy packages, marketing and additives, a message she conveys to her audiences with her fresh, bright and tasty recipes. It's been a big ride for the Otago University qualified dietitian and former MasterChef New Zealand winner over the last few years. She has seven best-selling cookbooks, is one of the founders of My Food Bag, a genius recipe and meal kit delivery service, has her own lifestyle Magazine 'Nadia' which was crowned 2017 Supreme Magazine of the Year and is the proud mum of Bodhi! She is also ambassador of the Cambodia Charitable Trust, a charity that supports schools and teacher training colleges in rural Cambodia.

The Honourable Nikki Kaye

Nikki was elected as the MP for Auckland Central in 2008, winning the seat for the National Party for the first time in New Zealand's history. In her parliamentary career she has handled more than 50,000 constituency cases, been a strong advocate for environmental and local government issues, and served as a Minister of the Crown across a range of portfolios including Education. Nikki is currently MP for Auckland Central and the National Party Spokesperson for Education and National Party Spokesperson for Sport and Recreation.



Simon Challies

Graduating from University of Canterbury in law and commerce, Simon chose accountancy and quickly moved into the listed company realm. At 36 Simon became CEO of Ryman, leading the company for 11 years through a period of exceptional growth and maturity. Simon stepped down last year due to the onset of Parkinsons and has since co-founded Braveheart Chch, become executive chairman of Nutrient Rescue and is actively involved in several social enterprises/charities. Simon was awarded Deloitte Top 200 Executive of the year in 2014, but is perhaps better known for his worldwide youtube hit – the Diana Isaac village take on Pharrell Williams "Happy".



PROGRAMME

12.00pm	Lunch/registration	3:20pm	Afternoon Tea
12:45pm	Professor Ursula Cheer – Welcome	3:50pm	The Hon Nikki Kaye
1.00pm	The Governor-General The Right Honourable Dame Patsy Reddy – Opening	4:30pm	Nadia Lim
1:15pm	The Hon Justice Ellen France	5:20pm	Closing
2.00pm	Joanna Norris	5:30pm	Canapes
2:45pm	Simon Challies		

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