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# “Navigating the Future”

**PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2019**

**Wednesday 21st August 2019 - 12pm to 7pm  
Rydges Latimer Square Christchurch**

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The Canterbury Women’s Legal Association is thrilled to invite you to the 2019 Professional Women’s Conference “Navigating the Future”. The Association, with the generous support of our sponsors, is delighted to present Miranda Burdon, Marilyn Waring, Kate Billing, Robyn Bradey, and Dominick Stephens. The Conference will be chaired by Stephanie Grieve and it will be opened by Tiana Epati. 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 navigating the future with you!

## Tiana Epati



Tiana became the President of the New Zealand Law Society in April of this year. Her election means she is the fourth woman to be President of the New Zealand Law Society. Since the first President was elected in 1897, the national lawyers’ organisation and regulator has had 30 Presidents. Tiana is the first President of Pacifica descent and the youngest. She is the first President to come from Gisborne where she lives with her family. Tiana is a partner with Gisborne law firm Rishworth Wall & Mathieson. She was admitted as a barrister and solicitor in September 2000 after graduating from Auckland University with a BA in philosophy and history and an LLB. For many years, she was a Crown prosecutor in Auckland and Wellington. Tiana worked at Crown Law Office in 2008 working in the criminal law team before moving to Gisborne in 2012, where she has worked as a criminal defence lawyer with Rishworth Wall & Mathieson. She was President of the Law Society’s Gisborne branch from 2014 to 2016 and was elected Vice-President, Central North Island in April 2016. She has also served terms on the New Zealand Law Society’s Criminal Law Reform Committee and Women’s Advisory Panel.

## Robyn Bradey



Robyn Bradey (B.Soc.Stud. SYD.) is a Mental Health Accredited Social Worker with 39yrs experience, 28 of those in private practice. She has been a youth worker, a hospital social worker, and an administrator. Robyn offers her

professional supervision to a wide range of health, welfare and legal workers. She has been a counsellor, specialising in loss, grief, trauma, work related stress and injury. She has taught at TAFE, the Australian College of Applied Psychology and the Community Centre for Welfare Training. She is currently working as a consultant and trainer for the UK Bar and Inns of Court, NZ Privacy Commission, NZ Ombudsman, NZ Electricity & Gas Commissioner, NZ Law Society, Legal Aid, NSW Community Legal Services, The Bar Association of NSW, the Law Society of NSW, the NSW and Commonwealth DPP, NSW and Commonwealth Ombudsman, Knowmore, Australian Red Cross, and a large number of other agencies and organisations. She has written 5 books and numerous professional papers.



## Miranda Burdon

With over twenty years business experience, Miranda has focused on the commercial side of primary based businesses in the wine, dairy and mushroom sectors with a strong

emphasis on innovation and strategy. This has been supplemented by experience on State owned, NFP and private company boards. As the recently departed CEO of Global Women, her passion for making New Zealand a great place to live, work and play came to the fore as she advocated for more diverse representation in leadership across NZ and more inclusive workplaces. Miranda is currently the Chair of Meadow Mushrooms Limited, one of the South Island’s largest horticultural entities and the Chair of a 400h dairy farm. She lives in Auckland with her three sons and husband Andrew.



## Stephanie Grieve

Stephanie studied Law (with Honours) and French at the University of Otago before

commencing practice in 1997 as a junior barrister in Wellington. She then worked in legal roles overseas in Paris, London and Amsterdam, including on a case before the International Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. She returned to New Zealand in 2002, joining Anderson Lloyd where she became a partner in 2005, before moving to Duncan Cotterill in 2011 where she was a partner for six years. She commenced practice as a barrister in 2018, joining the newly-established Plymouth Chambers in March 2019. She specialises in civil litigation including insurance, regulatory and disciplinary matters. Stephanie has an interest in the development, mentoring and support of junior lawyers and is involved in various training and mentoring initiatives through the New Zealand Bar Association and the Law Society.

## Dominick Stephens

Dominick joined Westpac as a Senior Economist in 2006, and became Chief Economist in 2011. His most well-known research concerns the roles of taxation, interest rates and inflation on the New Zealand housing market.

He has also published research on the exchange rate, NZ's labour market, and macroeconomic modelling. Dominick started his career at the Reserve Bank of New Zealand. He was closely involved in forecasting and interest rate decisions as second in charge of the RBNZ's forecasting team. He is from Christchurch, and graduated from the University of Canterbury with a Bachelor of Science with 1st Class Honours in Economics. His travels include crossing Mongolia on horseback, riding 1000 miles down the Peruvian Andes, and a year spent in the Amazon jungle.



## Kate Billing

Kate is a Co-founder of Blacksmith, one of New Zealand's top leadership development practices and a sought-after speaker, author, facilitator and mentor. Along with over 20 years in the people, culture and leadership industry, Kate has earned a 'life university' PhD in

suffering as part of the human condition and developed a deep appreciation for the value and importance of personal growth. It is this magic combination of experiences, her realness and her commitment to a conscious approach to life, leadership and business that makes her a leader in the field of personal and organisational evolution.



"Don't let who you're being get in the way of who you could become." - Kate Billing

## Marilyn Waring

Professor Marilyn Waring became a Member of Parliament in 1975 when she was just 22. After leaving parliament, she obtained a D.Phil. in political economy (1989). Her 1988 book "If Women Counted" is a feminist analysis of modern economics, that argues that women's work and the value of nature are not taken into account. This work became the founding document of the discipline of feminist economics. Since 2006, Marilyn has been a Professor of Public Policy at the Institute of Public Policy at AUT in Auckland, focusing on governance and public policy, political economy, gender analysis, and human rights. She became a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit in the 2008 New Year Honours, for her services to women and economics. In 2012, she was included on the Wired Magazine Smart List of "50 people who will change the world."



# PROGRAMME

12.00pm	Lunch/registration	3.20pm	Afternoon Tea
12.45pm	Stephanie Grieve – Welcome	3.50pm	Marilyn Waring
1.00pm	Tiana Epati – Opening	4.30pm	Robyn Bradey
1.15pm	Miranda Burdon	5.30pm	Closing
1.50pm	Dominick Stephens	5.35pm	Canapes
2.20pm	Kate Billing		

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Note CWLA is providing a limited number of places at significant discount to students or persons in the not for profit sector.

**Cancellation and Refund Policy** If a participant is unable to attend the conference, a substitute participant is welcome to attend at no additional cost. A full refund less a service fee of \$50.00 will apply to all cancellations. Cancellations received after midday Wednesday 13th August 2019 will not be entitled to any refund, unless a participant is found to fill the place of the person cancelling.

