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Bernadette Arapere - From historian to lawyer – differing perspectives

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Room 332, level 3, building 810 at the Faculty of Law, University of Auckland



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Bernadette (Ngati Raukawa ki te tonga, Ngati Tuwharetoa, Ngati Maniapoto) has a LLB (Hons) and MA (Hons) in History from the University of Auckland. Bernadette will talk about the transition from being a historian involved in claims and settlements to being a lawyer in that process. She will also talk about the Waitangi Tribunal process from different perspectives – historian, lawyer and as an iwi member.

Admitted as a Barrister and Solicitor in 2005 Bernadette provides advice to a wide range of clients in the areas of civil litigation, commercial and residential property, trusts, relationship property and Treaty of Waitangi litigation and settlement negotiations. She has appeared in the High Court, District Court, Māori Land Court, Māori Appellate Court, Waitangi Tribunal (urgent and historical inquiries) and in arbitrations.

Prior to practicing law Bernadette was a contract historian, a researcher at the Waitangi Tribunal and a policy and negotiations analyst at the Office of Treaty Settlements. Bernadette sits on the Board of Community Law Centres o Aotearoa and on the Board of Te Manawanui Trust. She was formerly Deputy Chair of Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust (mandated iwi organisation for Ngati Raukawa fisheries). She is a member of Te Hunga Roia Maori o Aotearoa (the Maori Law Society) and Te Pouhere Korero (the network of Maori historians).