



Chief Executives



Mr Rami Rahal

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Te Aho o te Kahu | Cancer Control Agency
Commenced July 2023



Ms Jane Lee

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Charter School Agency
Commenced July 2024



Ms Una Jagose KC

Te Rōiā Matāmua o te Karauna
Solicitor-General
Te Tari Ture o te Karauna | Crown Law Office
Commenced February 2016



Ms Katrina Casey

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Cyclone Recovery
Commenced February 2023



Ms Penny Nelson

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Papa Atawhai
Director-General of Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai | Department of Conservation
Commenced November 2021



Mr Jeremy Lightfoot

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Ara Poutama Aotearoa
Secretary for Corrections
Ara Poutama Aotearoa | Department of Corrections
Commenced February 2020



Mr Paul James

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Taiwhenua
Secretary for Internal Affairs
Te Tari Taiwhenua | Department of Internal Affairs
Commenced October 2018



Mr Ben King

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tari o te Pirimia
me te Komiti Matua
Secretary of the Department of the
Prime Minister and Cabinet
Te Tari o te Pirimia me te Komiti Matua |
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet
Commenced April 2024



Mr Nicholas Pole

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Arotake Mātauranga
Chief Review Officer
Te Tari Arotake Mātauranga | Education Review
Office
Commenced June 2017



Mr Andrew Clark

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tira Tiaki
Director-General of the Communications
Security Bureau
Te Tira Tiaki | Government Communications
Security Bureau
Commenced October 2023



Mr Arran Jones

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Independent Monitor of the Oranga Tamariki
System and Chief Executive
Aroturuki Tamariki | Independent Children's
Monitor
Commenced May 2023



Mr Peter Mersi

Kaikōmihana o Te Tari Taake
Commissioner of Inland Revenue
Te Tari Taake | Inland Revenue
Commenced July 2022



Chief Executives



Mr Murrery Young

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Toitū Te Whenua
Secretary for Land Information

Toitū Te Whenua | Land Information New Zealand
Commenced July 2024



Leauanae Lau Mac Leuanae

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Taonga
Secretary for Culture and Heritage

Te Manatū Taonga | Ministry for Culture
and Heritage
Commenced October 2022



Ms Paula Tesoriero MNZM

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive

Whaikaha | Ministry of Disabled People
Commenced September 2022



Mr Mervin Singham

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive

Te Tari Mātāwaka | Ministry for Ethnic
Communities
Commenced July 2021



Ms Gerardine Clifford -Lidstone

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Iwi o
Te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa
Secretary for Pacific Peoples

Te Manatū mō Ngā Iwi o Te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa |
Ministry for Pacific Peoples
Commenced February 2023



Mr Ray Smith

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Ahumahi Matua
Director-General of Primary Industries

Manatū Ahu Matua | Ministry for Primary
Industries
Commenced November 2018



Ms Gráinne Moss

Te Reo title to come
Secretary for Regulation

Ministry for Regulations
Commenced March 2024



Mr James Palmer

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Taiao
Secretary for the Environment

Manatū Mō Te Taiao | Ministry for the Environment
Commenced March 2023



Ms Kellie Coombes

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Wahine
Secretary for Women

Manatū Wāhine | Ministry for Women
Commenced June 2021



Ms Carolyn Tremain

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Hikina Whakatutuki
Secretary for Business, Innovation, and Employment

Hikina Whakatutuki | Ministry of Business,
Innovation, and Employment
Commenced July 2017



Mr Brook Barrington

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Waonga
Secretary of Defence

Manatū Kaupapa Waonga | Ministry of Defence
Commenced July 2024



Ms Iona Holsted

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Mātauranga
Secretary for Education

Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga | Ministry of Education
Commenced December 2016



Chief Executives



Mr Bede Corry

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Take Aorere
Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Manatū Aorere | Ministry of Foreign Affairs
and Trade

Commenced June 2024



Dr Diana Sarfati

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Hauora
Director-General of Health

Manatū Hauora | Ministry of Health

Commenced August 2022



Mr Andrew Crisp

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga
Secretary for Housing and Urban Development

Te Tūāpapa Kura Kāinga | Ministry of Housing
and Urban Development

Commenced August 2018



Mr Andrew Kibblewhite

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Ture
Secretary for Justice

Tāhū o te Ture | Ministry of Justice

Commenced February 2019



Ms Debbie Power

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Whakahiato Ora
Secretary for Social Development

Te Manatū Whakahiato Ora | Ministry of Social
Development

Commenced February 2019



Ms Audrey Sonerson

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Waka
Secretary for Transport

Te Manatū Waka | Ministry of Transport

Commenced December 2022



Mr David Gawn MBE

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive

Te Rākau Whakamarumarū | National
Emergency Management Agency

Commenced September 2021



Ms Christine Stevenson

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Mana Ārai
Comptroller of Customs

Te Mana Ārai o Aotearoa | New Zealand
Customs Service

Commenced January 2019



Mr Andrew Hampton

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Pā Whakamarumarū
Director-General of Security

Te Pā Whakamarumarū | New Zealand Security
Intelligence Service

Commenced April 2023



Mr Chappie Te Kani

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Tamariki
Secretary for Children

Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children

Commenced October 2021



Mr Andrew Bridgman

Chief Executive on Assignment

Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children

Commenced July 2024



Ms Heather Baggott

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Kawa Mataaho
Public Service Commissioner, Head of Service

Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission

Commenced March 2024



Chief Executives



Ms Rebecca Kitteridge cvo

Te Pou Turuki mō Te Kawa Mataaho
Deputy Public Service Commissioner
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
Commenced March 2023



Ms Gaye Searancke

Chief Executive on Assignment
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
Commenced April 2024



Ms Karen Chang

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tari Hara Tāware
Director of the Serious Fraud Office
Te Tari Hara Tāware | Serious Fraud Office
Commenced April 2022



Dr Craig Jones

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Toi Hau Tāngata
Secretary for Social Investment
Toi Hau Tāngata | Social Investment Agency
Commenced June 2024



Mr Mark Sowden

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Tatauranga Aotearoa
Government Statistician
Tatauranga Aotearoa | Statistics New Zealand
Commenced January 2020



Ms Lil Anderson

Te Tumu Whakarae
Chief Executive
Te Arawhiti - Office for Māori Crown Relations
Commenced December 2019



Mr Dave Samuels

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Puni Kōkiri
Secretary for Māori Development
Te Puni Kōkiri - Ministry of Māori Development
Commenced September 2019



Dr Caralee McLiesh PSM

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tai Ōhanga
Secretary to the Treasury
Te Tai Ōhanga | The Treasury
Commenced September 2019