



OUR TEAM

The “Live in New Zealand” team consists of immigration lawyers, specialist immigration advisers and legal professionals dedicated to providing New Zealand’s leading immigration service.

Our team uses its vast experience when handling all types of applications, from the relatively straightforward, through to the most complex. This includes applications referred to us by licensed immigration advisers who recognise our particular expertise.

You will find our “Live in New Zealand” team to be efficient and professional in all aspects of our work and honest and friendly in our working relationships with you.



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MARK WILLIAMS, PARTNER

BA, LLB, University of Canterbury,

Mark leads the immigration team. He has extensive knowledge and is skilled in all areas of immigration law and policy having specialised in the practice of Immigration law since 1999.

Mark is a former lecturer on immigration law at the University of Canterbury and Director of the New Zealand Association for Migration and Investment. He was part of the team required to draft submissions for the New Zealand Law Society (NZLS) on the formulation of the Immigration Act 2009 which came into force in November 2010.

Mark has also recently been appointed to the Immigration and Refugee Law Committee by the NZLS.

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NICOLA APPLETON, ASSOCIATE

BA, LLB, University of Canterbury

Nicola handles a wide range of immigration applications for both individuals and employers dealing with Immigration New Zealand. Nicola is admitted to practise in both New Zealand and England and Wales and can therefore advise on immigration applications for the UK as well as for New Zealand.

Prior to joining Lane Neave, Nicola headed up one of London's leading immigration practices where she advised a number of high profile corporations in recruiting employees from abroad, as well as advising high profile sports people navigating their way through the UK's immigration requirements.

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NICKY ROBERTSON, SOLICITOR

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Nicky is a solicitor specialising in immigration law and is an integral part of our immigration team. Prior to joining Lane Neave, Nicky worked as a Legal Associate for the Appeal Authorities Secretariat and worked closely with both the Residence Review Board and Removal Review Authority. These roles have provided Nicky with invaluable experience and in-depth knowledge of both immigration policy and the jurisprudence of these two Authorities.

Nicky assists individuals applying for a range of permits and visas as well as providing assistance with appeals to the Residence Review Board and Removal Review Authority.

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YUE WANG, SOLICITOR

LLB, University of Canterbury

Yue Wang, fluent in English and Mandarin, is a solicitor in Lane Neave's Immigration team. She has substantial experience in advising on a wide range of immigration needs, with particular experience of advising clients looking to migrate to New Zealand in connection with their investment aims. She has assisted a number of Chinese investors and has dealt with the purchase of businesses ranging from a few hundred thousand dollars to multi-million dollar business acquisitions.

Yue is actively involved in the Chinese community. She is the legal adviser for the University of Canterbury Chinese Scholars and Students Society (UCCSSS), which is a Chinese Embassy endorsed society. As UCCSSS' legal adviser, Yue also works with the Chinese Embassy and Department of Internal Affairs.

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HETISH P. LOCHAN, SOLICITOR

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Hetish specialises in Resource Management, Environmental law and Immigration law and is based in our Queenstown office.

In addition to practicing Resource Management and Environmental law, Hetish has also developed an immigration practice in Queenstown under the management of the Immigration team in our Christchurch office.

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CAROLINE EDWARDS, IMMIGRATION ADVISER

Caroline is a specialist Immigration Adviser. She is a British national with extensive experience working within the legal field in London. Caroline provides immigration advice principally to those applicants from the UK and South Africa seeking temporary work visas and applying for residence under the Skilled Migrant Category.

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