



Departmental Secretaries



Ms Heather Baggott

Te Pou Turuki mō Te Kawa Mataaho
Deputy Public Service Commissioner
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
Commenced October 2021



Mr Brook Barrington

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 February 2019



Mr Andrew Bridgman

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Waonga
Secretary of Defence
Manatū Kaupapa Waonga | Ministry of Defence
Commenced July 2019



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



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 2013



Ms Kellie Coombes

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Wahine
Secretary for Women
Manatū Wāhine | Ministry for Women
Commenced June 2021



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 Hampton

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Tira Tiaki
Director-General of the Communications
Security Bureau
Te Tira Tiaki | Government Communications
Security Bureau
Commenced April 2016



Ms Iona Holsted

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Mātauranga
Secretary for Education
Te Tāhuhu o te Mātauranga | Ministry of Education
Commenced December 2016



Mr Peter Hughes CNZM

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Kawa Mataaho
Public Service Commissioner, Head of Service
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
Commenced July 2016



Ms Una Jagose KC

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



Mr Paul James

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



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Mr Andrew Kibblewhite

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Ture
Secretary for Justice
Tāhū o te Ture | Ministry of Justice
Commenced February 2019



Ms Rebecca Kitteridge CVO

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



Leauanae Laulu Mac Leuanae

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Taonga
Secretary for Culture and Heritage
Te Manatū Taonga | Ministry for Culture and Heritage
Appointed October 2022



Mr Jeremy Lightfoot

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



Mr Phillip McKee

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Te Pā Whakamarumaru
Director-General of Security
Te Pā Whakamarumaru | New Zealand Security Intelligence Service
Commenced February 2023



Dr Caralee McLiesh PSM

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



Mr Peter Mersi

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



Ms Gráinne Moss

Te Reo title to come
Chief Executive and System Lead, Pay Equity
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
Commenced April 2021



Ms Penny Nelson

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



Mr Nicholas Pole

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



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 Helene Quilter QSO

Te Pou Turuki mō Te Kawa Mataaho
Deputy Public Service Commissioner
Te Kawa Mataaho Public Service Commission
Commenced July 2019



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Ms Vicky Robertson

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Taiao
Secretary for the Environment
Manatū Mō Te Taiao | Ministry for the Environment
Commenced June 2015



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 Diana Sarfati

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Hauora
Director-General of Health
Manatū Hauora | Ministry of Health
Commenced August 2022



Ms Gaye Searancke

Te Tumu Whakarae mō Toitū Te Whenua
Secretary for Land Information
Toitū Te Whenua | Land Information New Zealand
Commenced August 2019



Mr Chris Seed

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Take Aorere
Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Manatū Aorere | Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Commenced February 2019



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 Audrey Sonerson

Te Tumu Whakarae mō ngā Waka
Secretary for Transport
Te Manatū Waka | Ministry of Transport
Commenced December 2022



Mr Mark Sowden

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



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 Chappie Te Kani

Te Tumu Whakarae mō te Tamariki
Secretary for Children
Oranga Tamariki - Ministry for Children
Commenced October 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



Departmental Agency Chief Executives



Mr David Gawn MBE

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Te Rākau Whakamarumaru | National
Emergency Management Agency
Commenced September 2021



Ms Renee Graham

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Toi Hau Tāngata | Social Wellbeing Agency
Commenced June 2021



Ms Nicola Hill

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Te Aho o te Kahu | Cancer Control Agency
Commenced July 2022



Mr Mervin Singham

Te Tumu Whakahaere
Chief Executive
Te Tari Mātāwaka | Ministry for
Ethnic Communities
Commenced July 2021



Ms Paula Tesoriero MNZM

Te Tumu Whakarae
Chief Executive
Whaikaha | Ministry of Disabled People
Commenced September 2022



Mr Glenn Webber

Te Tumu Whakarae
Chief Executive
Te Arawhiti - Office for Māori Crown Relations
Commenced March 2022