

# Intermediate solicitor



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*Tailored legal services that look to the past to address the challenges of the future*

Whāia Legal is looking for an intermediate solicitor with 2-5 years PQE to support the work of the Whāia Legal whānau across a range of Māori legal issues.

## **Ko wai mātou o Whāia Legal?**

At Whāia Legal, we have a vision for the future that is informed by the way that we see the world – through a uniquely Māori lens. We provide advice across the spectrum of Māori issues including public law, environmental law and resource management, litigation, corporate and commercial law, Māori land law and Treaty of Waitangi issues. We meet our clients where they are and provide easy to understand, solutions focused advice often on complex issues.

The Whāia Legal whānau currently consists of our 3 Directors – Horiana Irwin-Easthope, Maia Wikaira and Mihiarangi Piripi, our Consultant – Tai Ahu and our Law Clerk – Riana Te Ngahue. We also contract in support and research assistance where required. We are a whānau centred firm.

## **About the role**

We are seeking an intermediate solicitor with approximately 2-5 years PQE to join our team. The role will be multi-faceted given our work across a range of areas of law but, initially, the work would focus on supporting our public law and environmental litigation practices working predominantly with Horiana Irwin-Easthope and Maia Wikaira.

The successful applicant will hold a Bachelor of Laws, be passionate and driven about kaupapa Māori and be self-motivated to deliver high quality service to our clients. Noting the initial focus of the likely work, the preferred candidate would ideally have public law and litigation experience. Te reo Māori competency is also preferred.

We anticipate the role to be fixed-term for two years. However, for the right candidate, we can be flexible as to the nature of the role. We are also open to part-time options. The opportunity offers a unique legal experience for candidates interested in gaining greater depth to their practice, as a platform for future opportunities in the law. Our preference is for the candidate to be based in Wellington, where our primary office is, however we are open to proposals from those who may wish to work outside of Wellington or commute part-time.

You will be a critical member of our Whāia Legal whānau and we will remunerate and provide opportunities to you accordingly.

## **Applications**

All applicants should send a cover letter outlining suitability for the role, a curriculum vitae outlining skills and experience relevant to the role, and a full academic transcript to [contact@whaialegal.co.nz](mailto:contact@whaialegal.co.nz) by **5pm on Friday 19 June 2020**. Any enquiries can also be directed to the same email address.