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## **RESPONSE TO AN OFFICIAL INFORMATION ACT REQUEST**

On 26 January 2022, you contacted the Ministry for Pacific Peoples (the Ministry) requesting, under the Official Information Act 1982 (OIA), information regarding the Ministry's nominations process. I have interpreted your request as being for information for calendar year(s), however, please note that for our reporting purposes we record and publish our statistics by financial year.

I have outlined your specific requests and my responses to each below.

*May I ask how is your process of nominating people and how many people registered within your registry.*

The Ministry currently holds 288 registrations from individuals of Pacific decent in its Nominations Governance Boards/Committees database. To be added to this database a registration form can be submitted via the Ministry's website. The registration form can be viewed here: [www.mpp.govt.nz/programmes/nominations-service/nominations-service-registration](http://www.mpp.govt.nz/programmes/nominations-service/nominations-service-registration).

Once registered, the Ministry's nomination process is as follows:

- The Ministry receives a request from an appointing agency.
- The request is assessed on position details, competencies and eligibility criteria.
- A database search for suitable candidates is undertaken
- Regional Directors are provided the list of suitable candidates for feedback and recommendations. Other Ministry senior leadership staff may be asked to assist at this stage as needed.
- The Ministry contacts nominees to discuss the opportunity and a potential interest in the position and offer assistance with their application as needed.
- A final list of candidates is provided to the appointing agency.
- The final decision and approval sit with the relevant Minister and Cabinet Appointment and Honours (APH) Committee.

*Also, how many people you have successfully nominated to a position from the past two year (2021 and 2020), may I have all the name of successful applicant and the position they have been successful on.*

Successful candidates are contacted directly by the appointing agency. The appointing agency are not obligated to inform if or when candidates presented by the Ministry are successful.

While we could provide the number of candidates that we are aware of, this figure would not be an accurate representation of successful nominees due to limitations related to gathering this data such as our reliance on appointing agencies or candidates to notify the Ministry of the

outcome. And while the Ministry also completes its own searches of online databases to find this information, not all organisations publish their corporate and/or board memberships.

The information on our database is provided in confidence and is private. Therefore, the names of the successful candidates we are aware of have been withheld under section 9(2)(a) of the OIA, to protect the privacy of natural persons.

*If possible, may I also get the list of positions that you have nominated people to from your registry in the past two year.*

I have appended to this letter Table 1 which outlines the list of State Sector Boards and Committees the Ministry has nominated candidates to in 2020 and 2021 respectively.

*Also, the org chart for your nomination service team too, please include the name and title.*

The Ministry's Nominations and Governance team consists of the following staff:

- Kaliti Kolinisau – Manager
- Ruta Lealamanua – Senior Advisor
- Priscilla Solo – Advisor

In line with standard OIA practice, the Ministry proactively publishes its responses to OIA requests. As such, this letter will be published on the Ministry for Pacific Peoples' website. Your personal details will be removed, and the Ministry will not publish any information that would identify you or your company.

Should you wish to discuss this response with us, please feel free to contact the Ministry at: [ويا\\_requests@mpp.govt.nz](mailto:ويا_requests@mpp.govt.nz).

If you are dissatisfied with this response, you have the right, under section 28(3) of the OIA, to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at [www.ombudsman.parliament.nz](http://www.ombudsman.parliament.nz) or freephone 0800 802 602.

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**Table 1: List of State Sector Boards and Committees and positions the Ministry for Pacific Peoples has nominated candidates for in 2020**

2020
1. Airways Corporation of New Zealand Limited Board, Member
2. Arts Council, Member
3. AsureQuality Limited Board, Member
4. Callaghan Innovation Board, Member
5. Civil Aviation Authority Board, Member
6. Christchurch International Airport Limited Board, Member
7. ConCOVE Board, Member
8. Community Trusts, Trustee
9. Consumer Advocacy Council Board, Member
10. Council Controlled Organisations Board, Member
11. Criminal Cases Review Commission, Commissioner
12. Defence Capability Governance Board, Member
13. Defence Capability Project Board, Member
14. Dunedin International Airport Limited, Member
15. Electricity Authority Board, Member
16. Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority Board, Member
17. Energy Hardship Expert Panel, Member
18. Engineering Associates Registration Board, Member
19. Environmental Protection Authority Board, Member
20. Joint Accreditation System Australia – New Zealand
21. Kordia Group Limited Board, Member
22. Lottery Grants Board, Member
23. Meteorological Service of New Zealand Limited Board, Member
24. Ministry of Social Development - Audit and Risk Committee, Member
25. National Pacific Radio Trust, Member
26. New Zealand Battery Technical Reference Group, Member
27. New Zealand Institute of Skills and Technology Board, Member
28. New Zealand Parole Board, Member
29. New Zealand Symphony Orchestra Board, Member
30. Ōhakea Infrastructure Programme Board, Member
31. Science Board, Member
32. Tamaki Redevelopment Company Limited Board, Member
33. Tertiary Education Commission, Commissioner
34. Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, Member

**Table 2: List of State Sector Boards and Committees and positions the Ministry for Pacific Peoples has nominated candidates for in 2021**

2021
1. Accident Compensation Corporation Board, Member
2. Accreditation Council Board, Member
3. Airways Corporation of New Zealand Board, Member
4. AsureQuality Limited Board, Member
5. Auckland War Memorial Museum Board, Member
6. Charities Registration Board, Member
7. Children's Commission, Commissioner
8. Christchurch International Airport Limited Board, Member
9. Civil Aviation Authority Board, Member
10. Community Trust Boards (x12), Trustee(s)
11. ConCOVE Advisory Group, Member
12. Consumer Advisory Council, Member
13. Digital Council for Aotearoa, Member
14. Earthquake Commission, Member
15. Electricity Authority Board, Member
16. Electricity Rulings Panel, Member
17. Energy Hardship Expert Panel, Member
18. Environmental Protection Authority Board, Member
19. External Reporting Board, Member
20. Dunedin International Airport Limited Board, Member
21. Financial Advice Code Committee, Member
22. Financial Advisers Disciplinary Committee, Member
23. Financial Markets Authority Board - Banking/Insurance role
24. Financial Markets Authority Board - Consumer representative
25. Fire and Emergency New Zealand Board, Member
26. Institute of Environmental Science and Research Board, Member
27. Institute of Geological Nuclear Sciences, Member
28. KiwiClass Board, Member
29. Landcare Research New Zealand Board, Member
30. Library and Information Advisory Committee, Member
31. Lottery Distribution Committees (x11), Member(s)
32. Meteorological Service of New Zealand Limited Board, Member
33. Motor Vehicle Disputes Tribunal (x4), Member
34. Ministerial Advisory Group for the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Terrorist Attacks, Member
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| 36. Ministry of Social Development - Audit and Risk Committee   |
| 37. Museum of Transport & Technology                            |
| 38. National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research        |
| 39. New Zealand Forest Research Institute                       |
| 40. New Zealand Geographic Board                                |
| 41. New Zealand Infrastructure Commission                       |
| 42. New Zealand Institute of Plant and Food Research            |
| 43. New Zealand Meat Board                                      |
| 44. New Zealand Standards Approval Board                        |
| 45. New Zealand Story Advisory Board                            |
| 46. New Zealand Symphony Orchestra                              |
| 47. New Zealand Trade and Enterprise Board, Chair and Member    |
| 48. Oranga Tamariki Grievance Panels, Member                    |
| 49. Pacific Cooperation Foundation, Member                      |
| 50. Pacific Development Conservation Trust, Member              |
| 51. PHARMAC Board, Member                                       |
| 52. PHARMAC Consumer Advisory Committee, Member                 |
| 53. Public Trust, Member  |
| 54. Regional Leadership Skills Groups, Member                   |
| 55. Research Education Advanced Network, Director               |
| 56. Science Board, Member                                       |
| 57. Sustainable Food and Fibre Futures Investment Board, Member |
| 58. Teaching Council – Pacific Education Steerage Group, Member |
| 59. Tertiary Education Commission Board, Member                 |
| 60. Trans-Tasman Occupations Tribunal, Member                   |
| 61. Tourism New Zealand Board, Member                           |
| 62. Tunuma Creative Board, Member                               |
| 63. TVNZ Board, Member  |
| 64. University Councils (x7), Member(s)                         |
| 65. Waka Kotahi - New Zealand Transport Agency Board, Member    |
| 66. Winston Churchill Memorial Trust, Member                    |
| 67. Workforce Development Councils (x4), Member                 |