

Immediation Panel Member

Shelley Kopu

He moana pukepuke e ekengia e te waka (Choppy waters can be navigated)

Shelley Kopu is of Te Atiawa descent. As an experienced specialist employment lawyer, mediator and investigator Shelley is skilled at facilitating mediations with a Te Ao Māori lens, in a manner that honours Tikanga Māori and an indigenous view.

Shelley's focus is on creating opportunities for resolution, working alongside the parties to find their commonalities, allowing them to express their grievances and views in a culturally safe and appropriate environment. Her mediation practice is complimented by her practical experience as inhouse counsel and in senior human resources positions. Additionally, Shelley is a professional director holding positions with Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa, Papa Rererangi i Puketapu (New Plymouth Airport) and Tui Ora (Health) as well as voluntary positions with Youthline, St Peters College and St Marys College.

Shelley's pragmatic approach is well regarded by those who seek out a sensitive and culturally appropriate mediator. She has experience in mediating matters across a range of sectors including banks, retail, religious organisations, iwi, Māori organisations, education and charities. She understands and recognises the importance of both a commercial and cultural lens when determining the best strategy for her clients and successfully navigates the sometimes complex waters of the law to ensure the best outcome for all.

Further biography and contact details [here](#).

To enquire about Shelley Kopu assisting with a sport or recreation complaint or dispute please call 0800 493 612 with no obligation to proceed.