

FOREWORD

This issue of the *New Zealand Journal of Environmental Law* contains articles from a number of sources. The articles by Justice Randerson, Judge Jackson and Denise Church were first presented as papers to a Forum on Environmental Law for Sustainability organised by the New Zealand Centre for Environmental Law in April 1999.

The papers by Derek Nolan and Nichola Christie, and by David Kirkpatrick were presented to the Environmental Justice and Market Mechanisms Conference held at Auckland in 1998 and have since been updated. The balance of papers presented at that significant event have been published in the book *Environmental Justice and Market Mechanisms Key Challenges for Environmental Law and Policy* (Kluwer 1999), edited by Klaus Bosselmann and Benjamin Richardson. Since that publication, Dr Richardson, a member of the Editorial Committee for the Journal has left Auckland to take up an appointment at the University of Manchester in the United Kingdom.

The other articles and contributions in the Journal are original contributions. The editors wish to acknowledge the significant intellectual and public interest values of all the contributions published in this issue.

The year saw the introduction of the Resource Management Amendment Bill 1999, after a controversial gestation period. Following a change of Government in the general election in November 1999, the future of the Bill is uncertain.

The new millennium will bring many challenges in the environmental regulation arena. The Journal will strive to publish a variety of articles and shorter comments, especially those contributions which may advance the legal aspects of a sustainable global and local environment.

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