

Royal Commission to Inquire into and Report upon Workers' Compensation

ELIZABETH THE SECOND, by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom, New Zealand, and Her Other Realms and Territories Queen, Head of the Commonwealth, Defender of the Faith:

To Our Trusty and Well-beloved the Honourable ARTHUR OWEN WOODHOUSE, D.S.C., a Judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand; HERBERT LESLIE BOCKETT, Esquire, C.M.G., of Wellington, Retired Secretary of Labour; and GEOFFREY ARNOLD PARSONS, Esquire, of Wellington, Public Accountant.

GREETING:

KNOW YE that We, reposing trust and confidence in your integrity, knowledge, and ability, hereby nominate, constitute, and appoint you, the said

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GEOFFREY ARNOLD PARSONS

to be a Commission to receive representations upon, inquire into, investigate, and report upon the law relating to compensation and claims for damages for incapacity or death arising out of accidents (including diseases) suffered by persons in employment, and the medical care, retraining, and rehabilitation of persons so incapacitated, and the administration of the said law, and to recommend such changes therein as the Commission considers desirable; and, in particular, to receive representations upon, inquire into, investigate, and report on the following matters:

1. Any need for change in the law relating to claims for compensation or damages in respect of persons incapacitated or killed in employment.

2. The institution and administration of a scheme for the payment of compensation or damages, in whole or in part, by periodic payments, in respect of persons incapacitated or killed in employment.

3. The desirability of adopting, in whole or in part or with suitable modifications, any scheme or system of compensation, medical care, retraining, and rehabilitation in operation in any other country which the Commission feels justified in investigating.

4. The relationship between money payable by way of compensation or allowances or damages in respect of persons incapacitated or killed in employment and money payable pursuant to legislation concerned with social security or welfare or pensions.

5. The desirability of amending the legislation to conform with the International Labour Convention (No. 121) Concerning Benefits in the Case of Employment Injury, and the International Labour Recommendation (No. 121) Concerning Benefits in the Case of Employment Injury.

6. The provision of facilities for medical examination of persons injured or incapacitated in employment, and their treatment, retraining, and rehabilitation.

7. Any amendment that should be made in the legislation to implement any changes recommended in respect of any of the above matters.

8. Any associated matters that the Commission may deem to be relevant to the objects of the inquiry.

And We hereby appoint you, the said

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to be Chairman of the said Commission:

And for the better enabling you to carry these presents into effect you are hereby authorised and empowered to make and conduct any inquiry or investigation under these presents in such manner and at such times and places as you deem expedient, with power to adjourn from time to time and place to place as you think fit, and so that these presents shall continue in force and the inquiry may at any time and place be resumed although not regularly adjourned from time to time or place to place:

And you are hereby strictly charged and directed that you shall not at any time publish or otherwise disclose, save to His Excellency the Governor-General, in pursuance of these presents or by His Excellency's direction, the contents or purport of any report so made or to be made by you or any evidence or information obtained by you in exercise of the powers hereby conferred upon you except such evidence or information as is received in the course of a sitting open to the public:

And it is hereby declared that the powers hereby conferred shall be exercisable notwithstanding the absence at any time of any one member hereby appointed so long as the Chairman, or a member deputed by the Chairman to act in his stead, and one other member are present and concur in the exercise of the powers:

And we do further ordain that you have liberty to report your proceedings and findings under this Our Commission from time to time if you shall judge it expedient so to do:

And, using all due diligence, you are required to report to His Excellency the Governor-General in writing under your hands not later than the 30th day of June 1967 your findings and opinions on the matters aforesaid, together with such recommendations as you think fit to make in respect thereof;

And, lastly, it is hereby declared that these presents are issued under the authority of the Letters Patent of His late Majesty King George the Fifth, dated the 11th day of May 1917, and under the authority of and subject to the provisions of the Commissions of Inquiry Act 1908, and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand.

In witness whereof We have caused this Our Commission to be issued and the Seal of New Zealand to be hereunto affixed at Wellington this 14th day of September 1966.

Witness Our Right Trusty and Well-beloved Cousin, Sir Bernard Edward Fergusson, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Grand Cross in the Royal Victorian Order, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Brigadier on the Retired List of Her Majesty's Army, Governor-General and Commander-in-Chief in and over New Zealand; acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of New Zealand.

[L.S.] BERNARD FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

By His Excellency's Command—

J. R. MARSHALL, for the Prime Minister.

Approved in Council—

T. J. SHERRARD, Clerk of the Executive Council.

Appointments, Promotions, Transfers, Resignations and Retirements of Officers of the New Zealand Army

PURSUANT to section 16 of the New Zealand Army Act 1950, His Excellency the Governor-General has been pleased to approve of the following appointments, promotions, transfers, resignations, and retirements of officers of the New Zealand Army:

ROYAL REGIMENT OF N.Z. ARTILLERY

Regular Force

The seniority of Lieutenant-Colonel L. W. Wright, M.B.E., is ante-dated to 8 August 1964. Dated 16 August 1966.

Captain C. C. Stewart to be temp. Major. Dated 19 July 1966.

Lieutenant (*temp.* Captain) W. G. R. Tuck to be Captain. Dated 13 December 1965.

Lieutenant B. G. Dilger to be Captain. Dated 16 June 1966.

Lieutenant (*temp.* Captain) and Quartermaster J. B. O'Connor to be Captain and Quartermaster. Dated 27 June 1966.

Lieutenant and Quartermaster P. J. Dixon to be Captain and Quartermaster. Dated 27 June 1966.

2nd Lieutenant J. A. Henderson to be Lieutenant. Dated 20 June 1966.

Supernumerary List

Captain C. B. Connery is re-engaged until 1 March 1968.

Territorial Force

16th Field Regiment, RNZA

Lieutenant A. Ross, B.SC., GRAD.BRIT.I.R.E., to be temp. Captain. Dated 1 April 1966.

ROYAL N.Z. ARMoured CORPS

Regular Force

Major J. Brown to be temp. Lieutenant-Colonel. Dated 29 August 1966.

Captain and Quartermaster Eugene Woodward is posted to the Retired List. Dated 1 June 1966.

Lieutenant (*temp.* Captain) C. G. Wotton to be Captain. Dated 20 June 1966.

THE CORPS OF ROYAL N.Z. ENGINEERS

Regular Force

Captain W. E. M. Stewart to be temp. Major. Dated 19 March 1966.

Supernumerary List

Captain and Quartermaster Ernest Arthur Rogers is posted to the Retired List. Dated 25 August 1966.

ROYAL N.Z. CORPS OF SIGNALS

Regular Force

Lieutenant and Quartermaster J. B. Booth to be temp. Captain and Quartermaster. Dated 7 July 1966.

Territorial Force

2nd Communication Zone Signal Squadron, RNZ Sigs

Lieutenant P. R. Jacobson to be Captain. Dated 1 July 1966.

Lieutenant M. J. Fenton to be Captain. Dated 29 July 1966.

ROYAL N.Z. INFANTRY REGIMENT

Regular Force

Captain Eoin Malcolm MacLennan is reposted to the Territorial Force on completion of his short-service engagement. Dated 12 June 1966.

Lieutenant (*temp.* Captain) D. A. Dawe to be Captain. Dated 13 June 1966.

Lieutenant N. A. Kotua to be temp. Captain. Dated 20 June 1966.