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QUALIFICATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS:

BA Geography, Diploma of Arts, First Class Honours, Ph.D Economic Geography (Otago)
Member Institute of Finance Professionals New Zealand Inc. (INFINZ) Certified Securities
Analysis Professional (CSAP), University of Otago Scholarship (1976), Commonwealth Medal for
State Owned Enterprises and privatisation contributions (1990)

CAPABILITIES

Experienced in Governance training and advice, expert testimony; negotiations; training; risk
evaluation; transaction processes.

POSITIONS AND EMPLOYMENT

Currently:

Chair: Brent Wheeler Group Limited; Chair: Fertco Limited; Executive Chair: The Boardroom
Practice Limited; Director: Ashburton Trading Society/Ruralco NZ Limited, Independent Director:
GO Rentals (Auckland) Limited; Chair: The Horowhenua Company Limited, Director: East Bay
Finance Limited; Chair: Tasman Pacific Insurance; Director: Munich Capital Limited

MAJOR AREAS OF WORK

Governance – Design/review of governance Ashburton Trading Society; Westland Dairy Limited,
Westpower Limited; Auckland Kindergarten Association; Tamaki Regeneration Company; Auckland
City Mission; Office of Auditor General on Audit and Risk Committees; Auckland Council re Ports of
Auckland. Succession planning Watercare Services Limited; Pacific Foundation, MFAT.

Economic Analysis –Expert Witness for Auckland Heliport; Watercare; Newmont Waihi; Kawerau
Geothermal; Waikato River Consents. Analysis for NZ Food & Grocery Council. Economic
development analysis Horowhenua DC; Whanganui DC; Taupo DC; Seafood NZ.

Corporate Finance – Tramcent Investment Group; Southern Pine Products; East Bay Finance;
various bond issue evaluations.

Valuation – Independent valuations for corporate transactions, capital raising, spin offs, asset
sales. Valuation Tracmap; Hightec Packaging; Auckland Railway Station; Fonterra EVA valuation
for Shareholders Council; Asure Quality IP valuation; Allpress Group; Truescape Ltd. Commercial
property valuations and rent reviews Auckland; WET NZ, Whanganui DC; GO Rentals Ltd, Energy
Mad Ltd.

Training - Auckland Rugby League; Asian Business Leaders; Callaghan Innovation; Brightstar and Conferenz - Financial Modelling, Due Diligence, BNZ Growth Programme; Finance courses Singapore Airlines, public courses Asian Business Forum Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong, Thailand.

PREVIOUS CHAIR, DIRECTOR APPOINTMENTS AND POSITIONS HELD:

Chair: Tainui Corporation Limited, Audit Sub-Committee, Watercare Services Limited, Fisheries Legislation Review Task Force, NZ Rail Restructuring Committee; **Director:** Watercare Services Limited, Provincial Finance Limited; Energy Mad Limited (Listed NZX).

Funds Manager: Ward Black & Associates (Venture Capital); **Lead Negotiator:** SILNA Forestry Negotiators; **Member:** ECNZ Transition Team; Ministerial Review Group, Resource Management Bill, State Owned Enterprises Steering Committee; **NZ Delegate:** OECD Conf. Regulatory Reform, Montreal 1987; **Secretary:** OECD Conf. Regulatory Reform, Washington 1989; **Negotiator:** Tainui Maori Trust Board 1992 -1995, Fisheries Cost Recovery Working Party 2006; **Research Assoc:** Centre for Maori Studies and Research University of Waikato; **Member:** Maori Land Investment Group (TPK); **Trustee:** Jesson Foundation

PUBLIC & PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYMENT	
Private Sector Current (1974 – 2019)	Part and full-time economic consulting since 1974; currently trading as Brent Wheeler Group Limited
Central Government 1987 – 1989	Economic Analyst, State Owned Enterprises Unit, Office of Minister for State Owned Enterprises. Senior Economic Analyst, Economic Development Commission N.Z. Treasury
Local Government 1982 – 1987	Deputy City Planner, Senior Planning Officer, Planning Officer City Planning Department, Palmerston North City; Deputy Regional Planner, Manawatu United Council
Tertiary 1976 – 1982	Tutor, Senior Tutor – Otago, Massey – Economic Geography, Maths and Stats

MAJOR GOVERNANCE EXPERIENCE

Brent has two forms of involvement in governance – one in the advisory and training work of the Boardroom Practice Limited (TBPL www.boardroompractice.co.nz) of which he is a Principal and shareholder, and as a Chair and director in several companies through Brent Wheeler Group Limited (www.brentwheeler.com) which also provides advice and expert testimony on governance matters.

Major Recent Projects and Involvement	
Ashburton Trading Society (ATS)	Board review, training.
Auckland Kindergarten Association	Review of Constitution, governance structures and processes, succession planning.
Auckland City Mission	Board strategy, review and facilitation
Tamaki Regeneration Company	Design and development structures & processes incl briefs for subcommittees
BNZ Agribusiness, Regional Boards	Review, develop governance structures for BNZ high value primary sector clients, workshop facilitation
Westland Milk Products	Board reviews 2015 and 2017, training, succession planning
Development West Coast; Westpower; Jasmax Architects	Board reviews and advice re governance structure
Auckland Rugby League & Carlaw Heritage Trust	Remuneration and governance process review
Smales Farm	Review governance/board structure for retail and commercial complex. Involvement in establishing and identifying directors
Creative Abilities	Review and establish governance structure. Resolve management and employment issues, establish governance process
West Auckland Licensing Trusts	Major review, legal and governance design 2012 and update
Tait Electronics	Review governance entities, processes on and off shore
Satara	Review and workshop facilitation
CRI	Review of IRL Ind Engagement programme, evaluation of future IRL challenges
Eastland Group, Community Trust	Review of governance arrangements and monitoring, financial instruments portfolio, asset allocation
Fiji Native Lands Trust Board	Advisory project providing recommendations on governance
Air Ambulance Rescue Trust	Review of governance arrangements Rescue Helicopter service
Expert Testimony	High Court case involving reckless trading by directors in company in receivership
Provincial Finance Ltd	Appointed to board 90 days prior to receivership; worked as active director following receivership devising solutions for debenture stockholders and shareholders
Training	University of Otago professional development for business programmes; Auckland University Governance Short Courses; Callaghan Innovation

FURTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON REQUEST OR ON WEBSITE

Main areas of interest and work, publications, discussion Papers and Reports on governance:
<http://www.brentwheeler.com/> and <https://www.boardroompractice.co.nz/>