



MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL

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DECISION NO: 243/03/102D

IN THE MATTER of the Medical Practitioners Act
1995

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IN THE MATTER of a charge laid by the Director of
Proceedings pursuant to Section 102
of the Act against **ANDREW**
BRUCE SIMMONDS medical
practitioner of Lower Hutt

BEFORE THE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL

TRIBUNAL: Miss S M Moran (Chair)

Dr J C Cullen, Professor W Gillett, Dr A D Stewart,

Mrs H White (Members)

Ms G J Fraser (Secretary)

Mrs G Rogers (Stenographer)

Hearing held at Wellington on Thursday 7 and Friday 8 August 2003

APPEARANCES: Ms K P McDonald QC and Mr J Tamm for the Director of Proceedings

Ms G Phipps for Dr A B Simmonds.

Interim Decision

1. The Tribunal, having considered the evidence and the submissions of counsel, has reached a decision regarding the charge laid against Dr Simmonds. It wishes to notify the parties of its decision at the earliest opportunity. Accordingly, the Tribunal advises as follows:
 - (a) It has determined that Dr Simmonds is not guilty of the charge of professional misconduct. Accordingly it is dismissed.
 - (b) Full reasons for the Tribunal's Decision will be provided in a Supplementary Decision which will be issued at a later date.

DATED at Wellington this 11th day of August 2003

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S M Moran
Deputy Chair
Medical Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal