



Expert and Mediator

.nz Dispute Resolution Service

The Domain Name Commission is responsible for managing the .nz domain name space (all domain names ending .nz) and administers a Dispute Resolution Service (DRS). The DRS is a quick and cost-effective way of resolving domain name disputes and offers an accessible alternative to the courts. We are currently inviting applications for one Expert and one Mediator position.

Under the .nz DRS, mediation is the first tier of dispute resolution, and involves the mediator facilitating telephone (and email) mediation between parties to a domain name dispute within a set timeframe. If Mediation doesn't resolve the dispute, then the Complainant may refer the matter to an Expert for determination. When an Expert is assigned to a case, he or she must evaluate and prepare a written decision within a set timeframe. The decision is binding on both parties to the dispute and will be published in full on the Domain Name Commission's website at www.dnc.org.nz/decisions.

Mediators and Experts are assigned by rotation to a case, and can expect to handle approximately four cases a year, with a fixed remuneration per case.

In order to be considered for one of these positions, you will have a general knowledge of domain name and trade mark issues as well as proven ability in your field. Suitable candidates may be involved in the internet industry, mediation or arbitration, or legal profession, and will be a member of an appropriate professional organisation.

Further information on the DRS and these positions is available at www.dnc.org.nz/information-experts and www.dnc.org.nz/information-mediators. Candidates should familiarise themselves with this material before applying.

Applications are invited by sending your CV and a covering letter. Successful candidates will be retained on a fixed term contract.

Please send your application to vacancy@dnc.org.nz no later than 2 Sept 2010.