IN THE COURT OF APPEAL OF NEW ZEALAND

I TE KŌTI PĪRA O AOTEAROA

CA21/2020 [2022] NZCA 24

BETWEEN MARK DAVID CHISNALL

Appellant/Cross-Respondent

AND THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL

First Respondent/Cross-Appellant

AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE,

ARA POUTAMA AOTEAROA

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

Second Respondent

Hearing: 2 and 3 February 2021

(further submissions received 21 December 2021)

Court: Cooper, Brown, Clifford, Gilbert and Collins JJ

Counsel: A J Ellis, B J R Keith and G K Edgeler for Appellant

D J Perkins and M J McKillop for First Respondent

No appearance for Second Respondent

Judgment: 22 February 2022 at 2.15 pm

JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

We make declarations that:

- A Part 1A of the Parole Act 2002 is inconsistent with s 26(2) of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, and that inconsistency has not been justified under s 5 of that Act.
- B The Public Safety (Public Protection Orders) Act 2014 is inconsistent with s 26(2) of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, and that inconsistency has not been justified under s 5 of that Act.

REASONS OF THE COURT

(Given by Cooper J)

[1] In our judgment of 22 November 2021 we expressed our conclusion that it was

appropriate for the Court to make declarations of inconsistency.¹

[2] In accordance with [231] of our judgment we received a joint memorandum of

counsel, but the memorandum did not record an agreed position as to the form of

declarations to be made.

Having considered the memorandum of counsel, we consider that the [3]

declarations that will best reflect the terms of the judgment are declarations that:

Part 1A of the Parole Act 2002 is inconsistent with s 26(2) of the (a)

New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, and that inconsistency has not

been justified under s 5 of that Act.

The Public Safety (Public Protection Orders) Act 2014 is inconsistent (b)

with s 26(2) of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, and that

inconsistency has not been justified under s 5 of that Act.

[4] We make declarations accordingly.

Solicitors:

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Crown Law Office, Wellington for First Respondent

Chisnall v The Attorney-General [2021] NZCA 616 at [230].