

Frank Claridge

Frank is a Chartered Accountant by training and experience and has been involved with charitable and not-for-profit organisations in senior management and governance roles since 1962. He spent a number of years as national accountant for CORSO, and more recently, he retired from the Royal New Zealand Foundation of the Blind after almost 20 years in the senior financial management position. In addition, Frank has spent a number of years as an audit partner in a national firm of accountants, and in the financial and banking industry, as well as some time accounting for a public manufacturing company.



Frank has found his auditing experience valuable in analysing not-for-profit organisations and in assessing their effectiveness. His considerable understanding of the charitable sector and of the many disparate types of organisations enables him to help find effective ways of bringing improvements to large and small organisations.

Frank has an extensive and continuing involvement with the Methodist Church of New Zealand (since 1950), currently serving as a member of the Board of Administration, trustee of the Supernumerary Fund, and the Fire Insurance Fund, treasurer of the Board of Ministry, and a member of the Central Stipends Committee, the Connexional Budget Task Group and the Financial Review Committee.

In 2000 Frank was appointed by the Minister of Finance, to the Working Party on the Registration, Reporting and Monitoring of Charities. That was followed by appointment to the Charities Commission Preparatory Unit (2003) and to the initial Board of the Charities Commission (2005-).

Frank has been called on by a number of large and small agencies in many fields to work with them and improve their effectiveness and capacity. He has worked with agencies engaged in overseas aid, aged care, general social services, human relationships, disability services, rehabilitation, education, iwi authorities, fund raising, fund management, property development, constitutional change, investments, and general financial management.

Professional qualifications and memberships:

Justice of the Peace (1973)
Bachelor of Commerce (Victoria University of Wellington 1965)
New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants (1960)
Public Benefit Entities Working Party (2005)
Chartered Institute of Secretaries (1962)
New Zealand Institute of Management (1973)
New Zealand Trustees Association (1997, Fellow 2003)
Member of National Executive Council (2005-)
Fundraising Institute of New Zealand (1995)
Member National Ethics Committee (2004-)
Institute of Legacy Management - UK (2000)

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