

Update on [Westlaw NZ Cases](#) notification of 2 November 2018

Westlaw is dedicated to delivering a leading research platform and to continually enhancing the legal research experience.

We are continuing to expand our cases collection on Westlaw with the addition of approximately 30,000 new cases across Australia and New Zealand in 2018.

Over the course of 2018, we completed extensive auditing of all cases data and made various technical improvements. We have also been conducting ongoing data reprocessing of the caselaw collection, expected to be completed in February 2019.

In our quest for continuous improvement, we identified minor issues that we are actively addressing.

1. Westlaw case links

Cases on Westlaw include linked references to cited cases, citing cases and litigation history. During the cases reprocessing, some links are temporarily inactive. All case information is appearing as expected and links will be progressively restored. Some Alert24 case link functionality on Westlaw is also impacted.

Users can still perform a search for the relevant case on Westlaw (e.g. by citation, case name and other case information).

We are currently addressing these issues by:

- Updating inactive links where identified.
- Undertaking a refresh for all case reference information, including an extensive quality assurance review.

Example 1: In Cases Cited



Baird v Wellington Free Ambulance

Browse

BriefCase Judgment Text Cited Documents

CASES CITED Sort by [Year](#) | [Title](#) | [Court](#)

Considered

- *Ohms v Vice Chancellor Auckland University of Technology* [2013] NZEmpC 191
- *Auckland City Council v New Zealand Public Service Association Inc* [2004] 2 NZLR 10; (2004) 7 NZELC 97,358; [2003] 2 ERNZ 386; (2003) 1 NZELR 130 (CA)
- *Hanlon v International Educational Foundation (NZ) Inc* [1995] 1 ERNZ 1 (EMC)

Example 2: In an Alert 24 article

The screenshot shows a legal document interface. At the top, the title "Cawthray Motors Ltd v Auckland Council" is displayed. To the right of the title is a search bar with the placeholder text "Search within the document" and a magnifying glass icon. Below the title bar is a toolbar with icons for document, download, print, email, zoom, and link. To the right of the toolbar are navigation buttons labeled "Term" and "Browse". Below the toolbar is a blue tab labeled "Article". The main content area contains a table of metadata:

Article Type:	Cases
Product Title:	Case Law, Land
Publication Date:	23/1/2019
Jurisdiction:	New Zealand

Below the metadata is a grey bar with the word "ARTICLE" and a right-pointing arrow. Underneath this bar is another table of metadata:

Case Citation:	[2018] NZLVT 87
Court:	Land Valuation Tribunal
Judges:	Judge Smith
Judgment Date:	17/12/2018

An orange arrow points to the "Case Citation" field, which is highlighted with an orange box.

2. 2019 optimisations

This year we are continuing to make significant improvements to the case research experience on Westlaw. Throughout the year we will announce changes to our user experience and speed of access to information.

If you have questions or suggestions, please contact us on techcare.anz@thomsonreuters.com or phone 0800 10 60 25.