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Qualifications & Memberships

- Bachelor of Commerce, University of Auckland
- Member, CA ANZ
- Member, RITANZ New Zealand

Leanne is a Chartered Accountant with 25 years business experience specialising in corporate recovery and conducting litigation support investigations.

Prior to joining McGrathNicol, Leanne practised in the auditing service and litigation support fields in New Zealand and in the United States. During this time, she gained experience in all aspects of corporate advisory and insolvency, whilst specialising in forensic accounting and litigation support work.

Since joining McGrathNicol, Leanne has successfully managed a large number of formal insolvency appointments across a wide range of industries. She has also developed excellent investigative, project management and people skills, through helping clients navigate complex situations.

Leanne's experience in litigation support has included investigating complex transactions related to New Zealand's largest insolvency appointment, resulting in a substantial settlement for creditors. Leanne has also managed a number of high-profile retail insolvencies in New Zealand including Top Shop, Wild Pair, Valleygirl, Andrea Moore, Ziera, Mullberry NZ and Bobux.

Engagement Experience

- Managing the receivership trading and wind down operations of a number of retail insolvencies such as Top Shop, Wild Pair, Valleygirl, Andrea Moore, Ziera, Mullberry NZ and Bobux.
- Managing the insolvencies of education providers Best Pacific Institute of Education Limited and Intueri Education Limited.
- Managing the insolvencies of a number of wholesale and retail businesses such as Nylex New Zealand Limited, Lexicon New Zealand Limited, Victor Industries Limited, Optical Holdings Limited, Civic Wholesale (2000) Limited, Stainless Corporation Limited, Geon Limited, RCR Energy Limited.
- Managing the insolvency and sell down of property assets of Petherick Properties Limited and West Village Capital Partners Limited.
- Managing the receivership of the master franchisor of Nando's New Zealand.
- Managing receivership and subsequent investigations into trading of Southbury Corporation Limited and Southbury Group Limited.
- Establishment and monitoring of informal scheme of arrangement for construction company and reporting to creditors and financiers.
- Sitting on protocol committee tasking with managing, monitoring trading results and realising 21 dairy farms.
- Conducting major investigations into complex transactions resulting in a successful settlement against directors of a major finance company.
- Conducting search orders, forensic investigations detecting and quantifying fraud.
- Performing business monitoring assignments for the Commerce Commission of New Zealand.