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NZRAB appoints Chief Executive

The New Zealand Registered Architects Board (NZRAB) today announced the appointment of Margaret Bearsley as the NZRAB's new Chief Executive.

This follows the current CE Paul Jackman's decision to retire.

Ms Bearsley is a lawyer and her most recent position has been Manager, Corporate Secretariat for the Accident Compensation Commission. Prior to that she was Chief Executive of the Takeovers Panel. Margaret will begin her duties on 15 June 2020.

NZRAB Chair Gina Jones commented: "Margaret's appointment comes at a time when the NZRAB is facing many new challenges. Noteworthy in the near term will be developing a new set of arrangements for the way architects do their professional development to keep their skills and knowledge up to date. Also, the NZRAB has just introduced a new set of complaints procedures which will need to be bedded down in the months ahead.

"I am confident that Margaret is well equipped to provide the leadership that the NZRAB will need to advance its work. There will be much for her to do.

"I would like to formally express the NZRAB Board's thanks to our outgoing CE. Paul took up the post in August 2007. Under his leadership, the NZRAB has evolved substantially, and the Board thanks Paul for his sustained effort in this regard."

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