

## Hon. Heather Roy

Heather Roy is a professional director and is currently Chair of the Advertising Standards Authority, Chair of Utilities Disputes Ltd and Chair of the Electricity Authority Security and Reliability Council. She was until recently the Independent Chair of FoxPlan Ltd.

Heather is also the principal and director of Marlborough based TorquePoint Limited, a boutique business consultancy specialising in the use of military planning techniques in the corporate environment as well as training and advice on political engagement for businesses.

She is often invited to participate in debates as a political commentator on radio and television.

In May 2017, Heather was the winner of the Governance New Zealand 'Women on Board's' Inspirational Excellence Award, acknowledging contribution to Governance.

A former Member of Parliament (2002-2011), Heather served as a Minister of the Crown from Nov 2008 until August 2010 - Minister of Consumer Affairs, Associate Minister of Defence and Associate Minister of Education. She brings a thorough understanding of legislation and regulatory issues to the organisations she is part of.

Heather was a Reservist in the NZ Army from 2006 – 2016, enlisting as a field engineer and was commissioned in 2013 to the rank of Captain.

Heather believes volunteering is important. She has undertaken many voluntary roles in the community, including committees associated with her children's schooling and sporting activities and was the Gala Convenor of her children's primary school for 8 years. More recently her volunteering efforts have been in assisting boards and businesses in the not for profit sector.

Heather is married and has 5 adult children. Her 'outside of work' interests include tramping and boating in and around the Marlborough Sounds, reading novels rather than official documents and playing the piano. She is an enthusiastic latecomer to New Zealand's most popular outdoor pursuit, fishing. To date, the fish are winning.

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