YouthLaw Aotearoa Membership Application

Please sign and return to the General Manager
info@youthlaw.co.nz

YouthLaw Aotearoa is one of the 23 Community Law Centres across Aotearoa – but we are the only organisation operating across the nation where children and young people can access free legal services just for them. We provide free legal advice to all people under the age of 25 (or those acting on their behalf such as their parents and guardians). We can be reached either via our free phone advice line or by contacting us online. We have a team who run law-related education sessions for young people and youth workers in schools and other settings. We are also highly active in the area of law reform – our organisation works to make changes to the law that will improve access to justice for children and young people.

If you would like to support the work of YouthLaw Aotearoa by becoming a Member, please complete this application form and return to the General Manager at info@youthlaw.co.nz Your application will be considered by the Board and you will be informed of the outcome.

As a Member of YouthLaw Aotearoa you will be entitled to vote at our Annual General Meeting and to be nominated to become a member of our Board. You will also receive our newsletter and other communications from time to time.

# Applicant to complete:

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| Name: |  |
| Email: |  |
| Phone: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Under 25? | YES / NO (delete as applicable) |
| Organisation: |  |
| Occupation: |  |
| Signed: |  |
| Date: |  |

I, DO / DO NOT (delete as applicable)
support the aims and objects of YouthLaw Aotearoa (see below).

Can you support YouthLaw Aotearoa in other ways?

* If you would like to make a donation, visit [Ways to Support Us](https://youthlaw.co.nz/about-youthlaw/support-us/) on our website.
* If you can volunteer, please detail your available skills in the space below and we will be in touch.

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**2. AIMS AND OBJECTS**

**YouthLaw Aotearoa seeks to assist and empower children and young people within Aotearoa New Zealand by:**

1. **offering free legal advice and help;**
2. **helping them to participate in decision making at all levels;**
3. **helping them to put their point of view when laws and policies are being formulated or reviewed;**
4. **working to end discrimination against them whether on the grounds of age, race, culture, sex, disability or otherwise;**
5. **ensuring consistency with Te Tiriti o Waitangi;**
6. **compiling and distributing information as to their legal rights and responsibilities; and**
7. **being committed to the principles contained in the United Nationals Convention on the Rights of the Child 1989.**

**For further information regarding the policy or procedures of the YouthLaw Aotearoa Members, please contact** info@youthlaw.co.nz