

Trustee Profile: Tamehana (Tom) Manaena

Have considerable experience in General Management, Financial Management and Investment Management roles in Corporations within New Zealand and overseas. Also have extensive experience in working with and developing iwi and community organizations.

I am currently engaged in my own Consultancy Business with Investment Portfolio Management and Financial Audit contracts.

Prior to this spent 16 years involved in Māori business development with Poutama Trust as its Commercial Manager. Primary duties were as the Chief Financial Officer and Investment Portfolio Management and also the Business Advisor managing clients in the Central/Lower North Island and South Island region.

I started my accounting career over 30 years ago with General Motors in Wellington and in Melbourne, Australia. Other senior financial management roles have been with UEB Industries in Napier and Post & Telecommunications Corporation in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea.

While in Papua New Guinea was employed as General Manager at Ocean Trading Pty Ltd an importer and distributer of grocery lines managing their own warehouse and two supermarkets.

I worked for a time with Te Taiwhenua O Heretaunga in the early development years as the Training Programme's Manager.

Completed tertiary studies in Melbourne, Australia attaining a Bachelor of Business Studies with an accounting major and qualified to be an Associate member of the Australian Society of Accountants.

Currently Trustee on two Boards and chair one of these with previous experience on a number of others.

My aspirations is to build a strong enduring economic base to support the social, cultural and environmental well-being of our whanau.

