# **RACHEL WELLS**

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#### **Governance Statement:**

An accomplished Human Resource, culture transformation and organisational development executive leader with over 20 years' experience across diverse industries, incorporating public, SOE and private sector organisations enabling organisational performance through people. I can add deep expertise to organisations looking to leverage culture and leadership, to enable high performance. I bring both a corporate and sporting lens to my approach. I can facilitate conversations on *The Future of Work*; its implications for organisations, and enterprise culture change to transform organisations, including the role of the board in governing culture transformation, and leaders' impact on high performance. I will bring a fresh, yet pragmatic approach to any Board.

### **BOARD STRENGTHS:**

#### Industry/Sector Experience

- Diverse experience across FMCG, manufacturing, telecommunications, and energy sectors
- Worked across public, private and SOE sectors, and volunteering across endurance sports events
- Executive experience across heavy manufacturing in Australia and New Zealand

#### **Functional Skills**

- Leading and advising on organisational transformation and change across diverse sectors
- Experienced employee centred design professional
- People, organisational development, transformation, health and safety strategy, design, and delivery

#### **Diversity Attributes**

- Have a depth of experience in operational leadership roles (Royal New Zealand Airforce)
- Facilitate and lead conversations at Board level on cultural transformation, leadership and the future of work and the organisational implications
- Understands (from experience) the impact of culture and leadership on high performance

Executive experience:				
Lyttelton Port Company	Head of Culture and Transformation Advises the CEO and the Board on Culture and transformation, future of work, implications of culture on high performance.	2021 - current		
Rachel Wells Contracting	Independent contracting/consulting to MfE, NZDF, IRD Advised and reported to senior executives/CEOs across all roles	2019 – 2021		
MBIE	Head of People and Culture Advised CEO and DCE's on strategy, culture, and leadership	2018 - 2019		
NMDHB	GM People, Capability and Safety Advised the Board, CEO and Iwi Health Board on strategy,	2017 - 2018		

	health, safety and wellbeing, culture, leadership, transformation, Union relations and Māori workforce strategy	
Certus Solutions	GM People and Performance Advised the CEO, CEO and Board on organisational transformation, go-to-market strategy during growth, HR, OD, and Health and Safety	2016 - 2017
Rachel Wells Contracting	Independent contracting/consulting to MSD, Transpower, Wellington City Council Advisor to the CEOs, Boards, and executive leadership teams	2013 - 2016
Meridian Energy	Head of Organisational Development Advisor to the CEO and Board on People risk management during IPO	2011 - 2013
FMG (Farmers Mutual Group) Various Organisations – Prysmian, Griffins Foods, 3M NZ Ltd, Ricoh, Corrections	Organisational Development Manager Group General Manager HR ANZ, People Lead, HR Manager	2010 - 2011 2003 - 2010

Education and qualifications:			
Te Wananga o Ōtaki	Certificate in Te Reo Māori (L4)	Current	
Mindlab	Post Grad Diploma Leading Change for Good	2021 – 2022	
Massey University	Master of Business Studies (1 <sup>st</sup> class)	2000	
Massey University	Bachelor of Business Studies (Massey Scholar)	1998 - 1999	

# **Professional memberships:**

- Institute of Directors, Associate Member
- WISPA (Women's International Shipping and Trade Association)
- HRNZ (pending renewal)

# **Professional development:**

July 2022	The Transformational Executive	Boma International
July 2022	Enabling People and Culture	loD Event
August 2022	Finance Fundamentals Workshop	IoD Workshop
Sept 2022	Board culture and character	IoD Event

## **Referees:**

• Available on request