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## Mero Business Limited v Wood [2019] NZEmpC 136 (7 October 2019)

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IN THE EMPLOYMENT COURT OF NEW ZEALAND CHRISTCHURCH

I TE KŌTI TAKE MAHI O AOTEAROA ŌTAUTAHI

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EMPC 208/2019

IN THE MATTER OF	an application for leave to extend time to file a challenge to a determination of the Employment Relations Authority
BETWEEN	MERO BUSINESS LIMITED Applicant
AND	CHARLOTTE WOOD Respondent

Judgment: 7 October 2019

### JUDGMENT OF JUDGE K G SMITH

[1] On 1 July 2019, an application was filed for leave to extend time to file a challenge to a determination of the Employment Relations Authority.<sup>1</sup>

[2] As the respondent lives in the United Kingdom an application should be made to the Court for an order to serve an overseas respondent. The Registrar has attempted, on several occasions, to ascertain from the applicant when that further application would be made.

[3] On 19 September 2019, I issued a minute directing that, unless Mero Business Ltd filed an application to serve an overseas respondent by 3 October 2019, the application ran the risk of being struck out.

<sup>1</sup> *Wood v Mero Business Ltd* [\[2019\] NZERA 288](#).

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[4] That minute was forwarded by the Registrar to the applicant. No application to serve an overseas respondent has been filed since.

[5] As no step has been taken to progress the application it is appropriate for it to be struck out for want of prosecution and I order accordingly.

K G Smith Judge

Judgment signed at 8.30 am on 7 October 2019