



**Qualifications**

Registered Architect, NZIA  
Bachelor of Architecture

**Affiliations**

Fellow of the New Zealand Institute of Architects.

NZGSAP (New Zealand Green Star Accredited Professional)

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## Professional Experience

As part of his responsibilities Michael Thomson oversees the production of documentation and technical research at Architectus Auckland. He has over 25 years experience in the development of sound technical resolutions to complex constructional challenges.

His interests lie in the Tectonics and Craft of Architecture and a concern for the creation of 'well tempered environments' in the widest sense of Reyner Banham's phrase. He is on the Continuing Practice Development Board of the New Zealand Institute of Architects which encourages and structures on-going research and self-education by members, and currently is the New Zealand Institute of Architects representative on the BRANZ Building Whole of Life Research Programme.

Architectus is committed to the possibilities offered by new technologies and techniques of building as well as research into sustainable building approaches in combination with the integration of structure and services in the design process. These themes were first developed at a large scale on the Mathematics Statistics and Computer Sciences Building in Christchurch. Reinforcement for this approach has come with the ongoing success of the building in qualitative and quantitative surveys against international benchmarks.

Michael has taken a key role in Architectus Court projects for the MOJ as Director in charge of the Manukau Precinct, Special Jurisdictions, High Court Chambers and Waitakere Courthouse Alteration projects.

## Significant Projects

**Manukau Precinct Project**

District Court Extension  
Auckland  
15 000 m<sup>2</sup> | 3 storeys | \$40m

**Ministry of Justice Special Jurisdictions**

Environment and Employment Courts  
Auckland  
\$4m

**Auckland High Court New Judges' Chambers**

Auckland  
\$3m

**Waitakere District Courthouse**

New Courtroom, Ministry of Justice  
Auckland  
\$0.25m

**Te Puni Village**

Victoria University of Wellington  
Medium Rise Student Accommodation  
Wellington  
\$36m

**Population Health Complex**

The University of Auckland, Tamaki Campus  
Glen Innes, Auckland  
11 000 m<sup>2</sup> | 3 storeys | \$22m

**St Peter's College Sports Centre**

Epsom, Auckland  
1400 m<sup>2</sup> | \$4m

**Auckland Grammar School Gym Building**

Newmarket, Auckland  
1100 m<sup>2</sup> | 2 storeys | \$2m

**Engineering Research Building**

The University of Auckland Tamaki Campus  
Glen Innes, Auckland  
4400 m<sup>2</sup> | \$7m

**Mathematics Statistics and Computer Sciences Building**

University of Canterbury  
Christchurch  
10 000 m<sup>2</sup> | 7 storeys | \$15m