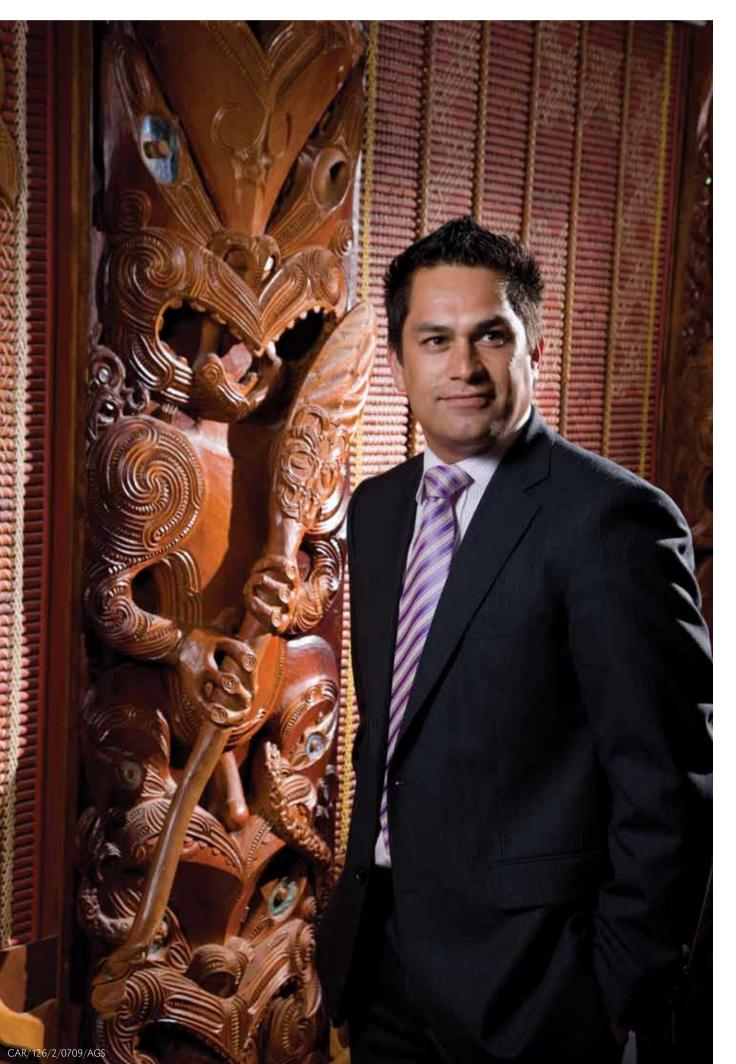


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## Successful Māori Careers



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"I am in the Commercial-Māori team - we do a lot of commercial-treaty work and general practice; you are not stuck in any one particular genre.

I was the first in my whānau to go to university. A law degree gives you the skills to traverse any work situation, as every job has some connection to the law. In my degree I also did a lot of Māori Arts papers, and this gave me a work/life balance at University.

My son is most important in my life, as are my grandparents and immediate whānau. A big influence is my grandparent's aroha and hard working nature.

Another was a great friend who has now passed on. He would say to debate a kaupapa you've got to know all about it. Don't go to a gun fight when you've got no ammunition! University gives you that

#### ammunition.

Tikanga Māori and law are sets of rules. Both are dynamic and co-exist, and can bounce off one another. Tikanga Māori can help to build law and vice versa, thus there is balance.

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