This seminar is based on the recently published book edited by Gordon Anderson with Alan Geare *Transforming Workplace Relations in New Zealand 1976-2016 (Victoria University Press, Wellington, 2017)*. In this book a wide range of academic commentators reflect on the revolution in labour relations and speculate on the future of work relationships in a world again being challenged by newly evolving forms of work and employment.

The seminar brings together a number of the contributors to the book who will provide valuable insight on how we got to where we are in workplace relations, identify the challenges for the future in the current employment relations structure and create discussion as to what is needed for the future work environment. It will be valuable to policy analysts, employment lawyers, employment relations and union strategists and everyone with an interest in this area.

Programme

**8.40-8.55am** Registrations

**9.00am** Welcome - Stephen Blumenfeld, Director, CLEW; Chairperson: Graeme Colgan, former Chief Judge of the Employment Court.

**9.05-9.25am** Opening address: Hon Iain Lees-Galloway, Minister for Workplace Relations

**9.25-10am** Overview: *Four decades of documenting transformation*. Professor Gordon Anderson

**10am-10.30** Comment and discussion

Business perspective - Paul Mackay, Business NZ; Union Perspective: Richard Wagstaff, NZCTU;
Legal perspective - Peter Kiely, Kiely Thompson Caisley

10.30-11am – Morning tea

11am-12pm  The drivers of transformation
   Economic transformation - Bill Rosenberg, NZCTU
   The politics of workplace reform – Professor Margaret Wilson, University of Waikato
   Collective bargaining and union organisation – Dr Stephen Blumenfeld, CLEW
   Questions and discussion

12-12.55pm  Workplace transformation
   Transforming workplace management – IR to ER – Assoc Professor Jane Bryson, Victoria Business School
   Women in the Workforce: Still Unequal after all these years? – Dr Amanda Reilly, Victoria Business School
   Questions and discussion

12.55-1pm  Concluding remarks - Chairperson

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