



ELECTIONS NZ

## Declaration by Polling Officer or Scrutineer

I, .....  
*Print full name*

.....  
*Print full address*

.....  
*Occupation*

solemnly and sincerely declare that I will well and truly serve in the office of –

\* Delete  
whichever  
does not  
apply

- \* Returning Officer
- \* Deputy Returning Officer
- \* Poll Clerk
- \* Usher
- \* Interpreter
- \* Scrutineer for ..... / a candidate,

at the poll in the ..... Electoral District,  
and that I will not do anything forbidden by section **203t** of the Electoral Act 1993.

Declared at .....

this ..... day of ..... 19 .....  
*Signature*

before me .....

- \* Justice of the Peace      \* Solicitor
- \* Returning Officer    \* Deputy Returning Officer
- \* Registrar of Electors

### NOTE:

- (1) Declarations by Returning Officers must be made before a Justice of the Peace or a Solicitor.
- (2) Registrars of Electors may take declarations only pursuant to section 172(5) of the Electoral Act 1993.

\* Section 203 of the Electoral Act 1993 is printed on the back of this form and must be read by or to the declarant.

## **THE ELECTORAL ACT 1993 - SECTION**

### **203. Infringement of secrecy -**

- (1) Every official, clerk, scrutineer, interpreter, or other person appointed for the purposes of this Act shall use or disclose information acquired by him or her in that capacity only in accordance with his or her official duty or his or her duty as a scrutineer, as the case may require.
- (2) No person, except for some purpose authorised by law, shall -

  - (a) Interfere with or attempt to interfere with a voter when marking his or her vote:
  - (b) Attempt to obtain in a polling booth information as to the candidate for whom or the party for which any voter in a booth is about to vote or has voted:
  - (c) Communicate at any time to any person any information obtained in a polling booth as to the candidate for whom or the party for which any voter at the booth is about to vote or has voted, or as to the consecutive number on the ballot paper given to any voter at the booth.
- (3) Every person in attendance at the counting of the votes shall maintain and aid in maintaining the secrecy of the voting, and shall not communicate any information obtained at the counting as to the candidate for whom or the party for which any vote is given in any particular ballot paper.
- (4) No person shall directly or indirectly induce any voter to display his or her ballot paper after he or she has marked it, so as to make known to any person the name of any candidate for or against whom he or she has voted or the name of the party for which he or she has voted.