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Harrisons Fine Art Limited v Carrothers [2014] NZEmpC 58 (28 April 2014)

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IN THE EMPLOYMENT COURT AUCKLAND

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IN THE MATTER OF a challenge to a determination of the

Employment Relations Authority

AND IN THE MATTER of an application for costs

BETWEEN HARRISONS FINE ART LIMITED Plaintiff

AND GAYE CASSIE CARROTHERS Defendant

Hearing: By submissions filed on 27 March and 15 April 2014

Appearances: A Stuart, counsel for plaintiff

M Beech, counsel for defendant

Judgment: 28 April 2014

COSTS JUDGMENT OF CHIEF JUDGE G L COLGAN

[1] By judgment given on 5 March 2014¹ the plaintiff's proceedings were

formally dismissed and costs were reserved.

[2] The defendant has applied for an order for costs to which the plaintiff has declined to respond although the Court appreciates its counsel's advice to this effect.

[3] The defendant has been legally aided. Her grant was for \$1,958.80. I accept that this was a reasonable fee for professional legal services in preparation for trial.

The defendant seeks an award of 66 per cent of these, amounting to \$1,304.56. I

¹ *Harrisons Fine Art Limited v Carrothers* [\[2014\] NZEmpC 36](#).

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agree that this is a reasonable contribution to reasonable costs and direct that the plaintiff is to pay to the defendant costs in the sum of \$1,304.56.

GL Colgan
Chief Judge

Judgment signed at 8.00am on 28th April 2014
