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The Keith Papers collect some of the work of Sir Kenneth Keith. He studied law at the University of Auckland, Victoria University of Wellington and Harvard Law School. He was a member of the legal divisions of the Department of External Affairs and the United Nations, a law teacher at VUW, to which he has returned as professor emeritus, a member and president of the New Zealand Law Commission, a judge of appeal in various Pacific courts, an international arbitrator and a judge of the New Zealand Court of Appeal and Supreme Court and the International Court of Justice.

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■ **"Administrative Law Developments in New Zealand as Seen Through Immigration Law"** 
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In this tribute to Professor David Mullan, Sir Kenneth Keith considers aspects of the ways in which the law of New Zealand over the past forty years has answered the following question: who may enter and live in the state? The chapter offers a largely chronological account of New Zealand immigration law. It considers the players involved, the processes they follow, the powers available to officials, and the remedies available to those affected by the exercise of those powers. The author discusses the impact of legislation, new institutions, increased involvement from the courts and the public, and the growing subjection of national prerogatives to international limits. In doing so the author gives a sense of the broader developments in administrative law in New Zealand.

"Administrative Law Reform 1953-1978"

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Administrative law has been extensively studied and reformed in the past twenty-five years. What powers can properly be conferred on public authorities? Who should exercise those powers – minister, department, court or tribunal? What procedures should they follow? What rights of appeal or review should those aggrieved by administrative decisions be able to invoke? Kenneth Keith considers some of the answers given to these questions in the past twenty-five years and comments on the methods of law reform that have developed over that period.

"Judicial Control of the Ombudsman"

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This article concerns the powers of the courts to control the exercise of authority by the ombudsman. Over the past twelve years, courts in Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom have decided disputes about the powers of ombudsmen. Kenneth Keith discusses the range and nature of those cases, reviews the reasoning of some of the judgments and considers their possible consequences. He also notes the related legislative indications on the possible role of the courts. The author concludes that if the legislation is well prepared the courts have in general a very small role to play in this area.

"Law and Administration"

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The article is the text of a lecture given to the administrative law class at the Victoria University of Wellington by Kenneth Keith. It was his last lecture before moving to the Law Commission and has been left largely in its lecture form. The author looks at policy issues in relation to public law; seeing the major arguments as being about principle, institutions, and processes. He considers the necessarily close relationships between government and law and between politics and law. The author contends that lawyers have a function and an obligation to take part in the policy areas of the law, as well as in matters of detail.

"Ridge v Baldwin"

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One of the landmarks in the development of administrative law is the House of Lords decision in *Ridge v. Baldwin*. Kenneth Keith considers the approach of the judges in that case, especially that of Lord Reid, and explores some particular aspects of the decision and its wider ramifications. He considers the content and style of the judgment itself and its consequences for the law of natural justice. More broadly, the author discusses its wider impact on the law and the control of administrative justice, given that this was the first of a series of leading administrative law cases in which Lord Reid was the senior judge. The author begins and concludes with comments on judicial method and function, particularly the way the House of Lords makes law and its proper role in controlling the executive.

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Alumni include Sir Robin Cooke (1926-2006), one of the leading judges of the British Commonwealth. As Baron Cooke of Thorndon, he sat on over 100 appeals to the Appellate Committee of the House of Lords, one of very few Commonwealth judges ever appointed to do so.

Since 1996 the Law School has occupied the Old Government Building in central Wellington. Designed by William Clayton and opened in 1876 to house New Zealand's then civil service, the building is a particularly fine example of Italianate neo-Renaissance style. Unusually among large colonial official buildings of the time it is constructed of wood, apart from chimneys and vaults.

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