

## COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH OF ALBERTA

# NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION AND PUBLIC CHIEF JUSTICE AND ASSOCIATE CHIEF JUSTICE: ALLOCATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

The allocation of responsibilities resulting from the appointment of Chief Justice Mary T. Moreau in Edmonton, and the transfer of Associate Chief Justice John D. Rooke to Calgary, will be as follows:

# **Chief Justice Responsibilities:**

The responsibilities of the Chief Justice will include:

Overarching authority over all matters relating to the Court of Queen's Bench;

Day-to-day operational authority over all Judicial Centres in the Province with the exception of Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat and Drumheller, over which day-to-day operational authority is delegated to the Associate Chief Justice, as set out below;

Responsibility for all Canadian Judicial Council (CJC) conduct and complaint matters relating to the Alberta QB judiciary;

Responsibility for non-CJC conduct and complaint matters relating to the QB judiciary and support personnel directed to the Chief Justice or Associate Chief Justice originating from and relating to the QB judiciary and support personnel located in all judicial centres other than in Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat and Drumheller;

Primary responsibility for all communications with other Courts in the Province, the Attorney General of Alberta, her delegates and other Provincial Government ministries, the Attorney General for Canada, her delegates and other Federal Government ministries, and municipal governments.

### **Associate Chief Justice Responsibilities:**

The responsibilities of the Associate Chief Justice will include:

Day-to-day operational authority over the Judicial Centres of Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat and Drumheller;

Primary responsibility for non-CJC conduct and complaint matters directed to the Chief Justice or Associate Chief Justice originating from and relating to the QB judiciary and support personnel located in Calgary, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat and Drumheller, subject to the Chief Justice's concurrence with final correspondence directed to complainants;

Subject to the authority of the Chief Justice, primary responsibility for Court-related initiatives/projects as assigned by the Chief Justice to the Associate Chief Justice with his concurrence from time to time.

#### Other:

Pending further review:

Civil case management assignment responsibilities in Calgary and Drumheller will remain with Justice Blair Nixon.

Criminal case management assignment responsibilities in Calgary and Drumheller will be assumed by Justice Earl Wilson, who is hereby designated to appoint case management justices under s.551.1 of the *Criminal Code*.

Civil and criminal case management assignment responsibilities in Red Deer will remain with Justice Monica Bast insofar as they relate to the assignment of local resident justices. If such assignment requires a non-resident justice, the case management application shall be directed to the Chief Justice.

Civil and criminal case management assignment responsibilities in Lethbridge and Medicine Hat will remain with Justice Dallas Miller insofar as they relate to the assignment of local resident justices. If such assignment requires a non-resident justice, the case management application shall be directed to the Associate Chief Justice:

In the event either of the Chief Justice or Associate Chief Justice cannot be contacted for guidance on an operational decision, the other is to be sought out. If neither the Chief Justice nor the Associate Chief Justice is available, the list manager or alternate list manager for the judicial centre involved is to be contacted and will have the authority to give guidance or make an operational decision.

Mary T. Moreau, Chief Justice

John D. Røoke, Associate Chief Justice