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ACTING PRIVACY COMMISSIONER APPOINTED

VICTORIA – Paul Fraser, QC, has been appointed as acting Information and Privacy Commissioner and Registrar of Lobbyists. The appointment is effective immediately.

Fraser is replacing former Commissioner David Loukidelis who resigned from his office last week to assume the role of Deputy Attorney General for the Province of British Columbia. Fraser, who is also the current Conflict of Interest Commissioner, will act in both capacities until an all-party committee of the legislature can complete a search and selection process for a new Information and Privacy Commissioner. The committee will be appointed when the legislature resumes in February.

Paul Fraser has practised law in British Columbia for over 40 years, specializing in civil and criminal litigation as well as commercial and labour mediation and arbitration. He was made Queen’s Counsel in 1982, and has been appointed as a special prosecutor in British Columbia on several occasions. Fraser is a former president of the Canadian Bar Association, preceded by a term as president of the association’s British Columbia branch. He is also a former part-time member of B.C. Law Reform Commission. Internationally, he has served as president of the Commonwealth Lawyers Association, whose membership includes bar associations and law societies throughout the Commonwealth.

A former special legal advisor to Canada’s Minister of Foreign Affairs, Fraser is currently president of the International Commission of Jurists (Canada), a human rights organization of judges and lawyers founded after the adoption of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights.

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