



NOTICE

The Judicial Compensation and Benefits Commission was established in 1999 to inquire every four years into the adequacy of the salaries and other amounts payable to federally-appointed judges under the *Judges Act* and into the adequacy of judges' benefits generally. In 2014, the *Act* was amended to provide that for the purposes of the inquiry the prothonotaries of the Federal Court be considered as judges. Under the provisions of the *Act*, the Commission must submit a report containing its recommendations to the Minister of Justice, who shall respond to the report within four months after receiving it.

The Commission invites parties wishing to comment on matters within the Commission's mandate to forward their written submissions, in either official language, preferably in electronic format, to: info@quadcom.gc.ca. Paper versions of submissions will also be accepted at the Commission's offices at 99 Metcalfe Street, 8th floor, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 1E3. Parties wishing to make an oral presentation at the Commission's hearings in Ottawa should indicate so when they file their written submission.

The Commission has received notice that the Government of Canada intends to raise a preliminary issue concerning the commissioning of a study on Pre-Appointment Income and that Federal Court prothonotaries intend to raise as a preliminary issue their request for full representational funding. Accordingly, the following schedule is established:

- 19 January 2016- deadline for filing submissions on preliminary issues
- 20 January 2016 - deadline for filing notice of any extraordinary issue
- 29 January 2016 - deadline for filing responses on preliminary issues
- 8 February 2016, 2:30 pm EST - teleconference if required on preliminary issues
- 29 February 2016 - deadline for the Government, the judiciary and prothonotaries to file their main submissions
- 11 March 2016 - deadline for other parties to file their main submissions
- 29 March 2016 - deadline for filing responses to submissions
- 5 and 6 April 2016 - oral hearing in Ottawa

All submissions will be posted on the Commission's web site at www.quadcom.gc.ca.

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