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CHIEF JUSTICE RICHARDS TO STEP DOWN

Chief Justice Robert G. Richards today announced that he will be stepping down as Chief Justice of Saskatchewan and as a judge of the Court of Appeal for Saskatchewan, effective August 31, 2023. In his resignation letter to the Minister of Justice, the Chief Justice said, “It has been both an honour and a great privilege to serve the people of Saskatchewan as a member of the Court and as the Chief Justice of my province.”

Chief Justice Richards was appointed to the Court of Appeal in 2004 and appointed as Chief Justice of the Court and Chief Justice of Saskatchewan in 2013. He studied law at the University of Saskatchewan and at Harvard Law School. Prior to becoming a judge, the Chief Justice was a law clerk at the Supreme Court of Canada, served as Director of Constitutional Law in the Saskatchewan Department of Justice, and was a partner in the law firm now known as MLT Aikins. Chief Justice Richards is a long-time lecturer at the College of Law, University of Saskatchewan, and a frequent presenter at lawyers’ educational programs. He is the Chairperson of the Provincial Judicial Council and the First Vice-Chair of the Canadian Judicial Council.

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