



MEDIA ADVISORY: ROBING CEREMONIES FOR NEW JUDGES

Monday, June 5, 2017 (Halifax, NS) – Members of the media are invited to attend the robing ceremonies for Judge Rosalind Michie and Judge Amy Sakalauskas, the last of the four judges appointed to the Provincial and Family Courts of Nova Scotia earlier this year.

The ceremony for Judge Michie is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Friday, June 9, at Provincial Court in Digby, 119 Queen St., while the ceremony for Judge Sakalauskas will take place the following week, at 2 p.m. Friday, June 16, at Provincial Court in Halifax, 5250 Spring Garden Rd.

All attendees, including media, are asked to arrive by 1:45 p.m. As per the [Guidelines for Media & Public Access to the Courts](#), video cameras and still photography will be permitted inside the courtroom during the ceremony; however, space may require media to be restricted to one area of the courtroom.

Please note that the judges will not do media interviews. Media are free to publish or broadcast any of the judges' remarks during the ceremony.

Judge Michie is originally from Digby. She has worked as a lawyer for almost 20 years, most recently as a senior Crown attorney with the Nova Scotia Public Prosecution Service. Prior to her appointment on March 31, Judge Michie volunteered her time with the Digby Area Learning Association and Digby Elementary School. Judge Michie is also bilingual, speaking both French and English.

Judge Sakalauskas is originally from North Sydney. At the time of her appointment, she was working as a lawyer with the Nova Scotia Department of Justice and has also served in private practice in the Annapolis Valley and Bedford. Judge Sakalauskas is a Past President of the Canadian Bar Association – Nova Scotia Branch, and a former board member for the Halifax and Region Family Resource Centre and Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Kings and Annapolis counties.

Copies of the judges' complete bios and headshots are attached to this email. For more information on the Nova Scotia Judiciary and the Courts, please visit www.courts.ns.ca.

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