



## **MEDIA ADVISORY: SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR NEW APPEAL COURT JUDGE**

Friday, Sept. 8, 2017 (Halifax, NS) – Members of the media are invited to attend the swearing-in ceremony for Justice Anne Derrick, the newest judge appointed to the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal earlier this summer.

**When:** 2 p.m., Friday, Sept. 15, 2017

**Where:** Courtroom 502, The Law Courts, 1815 Upper Water St., Halifax

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. Because space is somewhat restricted, camera operators may be limited to a pre-determined area of the courtroom to minimize any disruption.

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

Justice Derrick graduated from Dalhousie Law School in 1980 and was called to the Nova Scotia Bar the following year. Before becoming a judge, Justice Derrick was a partner in the firm of Beaton Derrick, focusing primarily on public interest and equality litigation, criminal law, and social justice advocacy.

Justice Derrick was first appointed as a judge of the Provincial and Family Courts on Sept. 2, 2005, handling longer criminal justice and youth court cases in the Halifax Long Trial Court since 2011. She was appointed to the Court of Appeal on July 18, 2017.

Among the many highlights of her legal career, Justice Derrick conducted a lengthy Fatality Inquiry in 2009 and 2010 into the death of Howard Hyde, producing a 400-page report with 80 recommendations for the criminal justice and mental health-care systems.

Copies of Justice Derrick's compete bio and headshot are attached to this email. For more information on the Nova Scotia Judiciary and the Courts, please visit [www.courts.ns.ca](http://www.courts.ns.ca).

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