

Five New Justices Of The Peace Appointed To Central West Ontario

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The province has appointed five new justices of the peace to the Ontario Court of Justice in the Central West Region. In total, 13 justice of the peace appointments have been made across Ontario and will be effective October 14, 2009.

His Worship Mangesh Singh Duggal was called to the Bar in 1992. Since then, Justice of the Peace Duggal has worked as a sole practitioner focusing on criminal, administrative and immigration law. He was appointed special duty counsel for clients with mental health issues before the Ontario Court of Justice and the Ontario Review Board. He has been a member of the Ontario Legal Aid Area Committee since 1998 and has volunteered with the Duty Counsel Hotline, where he provided free legal advice to people in Punjabi, Hindi and Urdu. As an active member of his community, His Worship sat on the board of directors of the Hope Place Foundation and worked to raise funds on behalf of Hope Place Women's Treatment Centre. His Worship has been appointed as a full-time presiding justice of the peace. Associate Chief Justice-Coordinator of Justices of the Peace John A. Payne has assigned Justice of the Peace Duggal to Brampton.

His Worship Alston Anierood Guinness has been a prosecutor for the City of Toronto since 2002. Prior to his work with the City of Toronto, Justice of the Peace Guinness worked for the Ministry of the Attorney General as a provincial prosecutor as well as interim manager of the Provincial Prosecutor's Office. His Worship has conducted lectures for members of the Ontario Provincial Police in Toronto regarding rules of evidence as well as courtroom demeanour and proceedings. As an active member of his community, His Worship has been a member of Advocates for Etobicoke Youth, an organization that provides counselling for under-privileged youths. He also volunteers with the Devi Mandir of Toronto and has participated in annual fundraising drives for the Peel Region Cancer Society. His Worship has been appointed as a full-time presiding justice of the peace. Associate Chief Justice-Coordinator of Justices of the Peace John A. Payne has assigned Justice of the Peace Guinness to Brampton.

His Worship Brett Allen Kelly has worked as a senior consultant with the Ministry of Health's Primary Health Care Team since 2006 and as director of research for the Schumacher Leadership Institute on a part-time basis since 2005. Prior to that, Justice of the Peace Kelly worked in politics as a policy advisor for the Ministers of Environment and Municipal Affairs, the communications advisor to the Minister of Natural Resources, and also as chief of staff for the Associate Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing. As an advocate for environmental preservation, His Worship has served as director for a number of environmental non-profits such as, Dunnville C.A.R.E.S., Lower Grand River Land Trust and the Haldimand Federation of Agriculture. He also served as board director for the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority. His Worship has been appointed as a full-time presiding justice of the peace. Associate Chief Justice-Coordinator of Justices of the Peace John A. Payne has assigned Justice of the Peace Kelly to St. Catharines.

His Worship Glen Guy Peace has worked as a consultant since 2008. Prior to that, Justice of the Peace Peace had been chief administrative officer and city manager for the City of Hamilton since 2004. He has also served as director, then general manager of emergency services as well as acting general manager of community services for the City of Hamilton. From 1971 to 1996 he was a firefighter, and also served as fire chief first in Burlington, then Hamilton. His Worship was also the

Association of Municipalities of Ontario representative for the Provincial Land Ambulance Review. As an active member of his community, he has sat on the campaign board of directors for the United Way Burlington and Greater Hamilton. He has also served on the board of directors for St. Joseph's Healthcare. His Worship has been appointed as a full-time presiding justice of the peace. Associate Chief Justice-Coordinator of Justices of the Peace John A. Payne has assigned His Worship Peace to Cayuga.

Her Worship Patrice Valeriano was appointed as a deputy judge in the Superior Court of Justice, Small Claims Court in May 2009. Prior to that appointment, Justice of the Peace Valeriano spent three years as a member of the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada and five years as a member of the National Parole Board of Canada. From 2002 to 2004, Her Worship was an adjunct professor with the Faculty of Law at Queen's University, and was also an instructor with the Law Society of Upper Canada Bar Admission Course. She has been a member of the board of directors of Saint Joseph's Villa Long Term Health Care, and co-chaired the organization's 2008-2009 fundraiser. She also volunteers annually for the Good Shepherd Annual Dinner and has been a volunteer and team coordinator for an annual food drive. She is also the founder and coordinator of the Frontenac Law Association Feed the Hungry Program. Her Worship has been appointed as a full-time presiding justice of the peace. Associate Chief Justice-Coordinator of Justices of the Peace John A. Payne has assigned Justice of the Peace Valeriano to Simcoe.

Justices of the peace are judicial officers appointed pursuant to the *Justices of the Peace Act*. These appointees have been interviewed by the Justices of the Peace Appointments Advisory Committee, established through the *Access to Justice Act, 2006*.

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