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**INQUIRY INTO PEDIATRIC FORENSIC PATHOLOGY IN
ONTARIO**

RULING ON THE APPLICATION FOR STANDING BY TWO INDIVIDUALS

COMMISSIONER GOUDGE:

The Commission has received an application for standing from two adult individuals who were involved in one of the cases examined by the Chief Coroner's Review. Through their counsel Mr. Wardle, they purpose that they be granted standing as part of the Affected Families Group, which has already received standing.

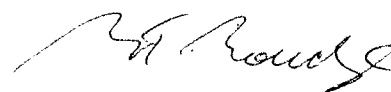
In my view, their application should be granted. For the purposes of standing, they are in exactly the same position as the other individuals who make up the Affected Families Group. Their application for standing is granted.

Mr. Wardle advises that these two individuals are different from the other members of the Affected Families Group in one respect. They are anxious that their full names not be used in the Commission's proceedings particularly because of the potential impact on a surviving child.

For three reasons, I think it is appropriate that these two be treated according to the basic procedure concerning non-publication outlined in my ruling of November 1, 2007. Though these two individuals have standing in a public inquiry, they do not want their full names published. Theirs is not one of the most notorious cases examined by the Chief Coroner's Review. Finally, in my view, they meet the criteria set out in s. 4(b) of the *Public Inquiries Act*.

I therefore order that the full names of these two individuals not be used during the proceedings of the Commission, or published by the media. They will be referred to by first names only or by their relationship to the deceased infant as is presently set out in the Schedule to my ruling of November 1, 2007.

RELEASED: November 6, 2007



Stephen Goudge
Commissioner