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**Application For Standing at the Cornwall Public Inquiry on behalf of the Ontario
Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Adult Community
Corrections and Correction Services**

The Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Adult Community Corrections and Correction Services ("the Ministry") hereby applies for standing at the Cornwall Inquiry ("the Inquiry") in the Ministry's capacity as a provider of Probation and Parole Services.

Reasons for Standing on Part 1 of the Inquiry

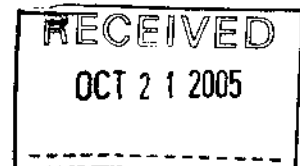
The Ministry is the provider of Probation and Parole services in Ontario pursuant to both the *Criminal Code of Canada* R.S.C. 1985 C- 46 as amended and the *Ministry of Correctional Services Act* R.S.O. 1990, C- M.22 as amended. As such, the Ministry provides a variety of services to the criminal justice system, including preparation of pre-sentence reports for the Court, probation and parole supervision and liaison with the Courts on probation matters, assessment and counselling services, and Parole Board assessment of offenders.

Part 1 of the Inquiry will examine the institutional response to allegations of historical abuse to young persons in the Cornwall area.

The Ministry is the named defendant in several different actions commenced in Ontario. These lawsuits claim damages for historical abuse caused by former Probation and/or Parole Officers that were employed by the Ministry at its Cornwall Probation and Parole office. Some of these actions are still pending. As a result of being a named Defendant in these lawsuits, the Ministry is aware of certain allegations made by ex-probationers involving some of its past employees. The Ministry therefore anticipates that Part 1 of the Inquiry will likely hear evidence about how Probation and Parole Services operated in the City of Cornwall, and its involvement in the subject matter of the Inquiry. The Ministry anticipates that its historic and current operations will be scrutinized by the Inquiry, and so has a direct and substantial interest in the subject matter of the inquiry. The Ministry wishes every opportunity to examine witnesses and present evidence as a Party with Standing.

Reasons for Standing on Part 2 of the Inquiry

Part 2 of the Inquiry will examine processes, services or programs which will facilitate community healing and reconciliation in the Cornwall area. Again, the Ministry is the provider of ongoing probation and parole services in the Cornwall area pursuant to its legal obligations. This falls within the definition of processes, services or programs that will encourage community healing and reconciliation in Cornwall. The Ministry seeks standing at Part 2 of the Inquiry so that it may provide input, and receive feedback from its stakeholders regarding how it may more effectively service the community in that capacity. Standing at Part 2 will allow the Ministry to explain to the community how it



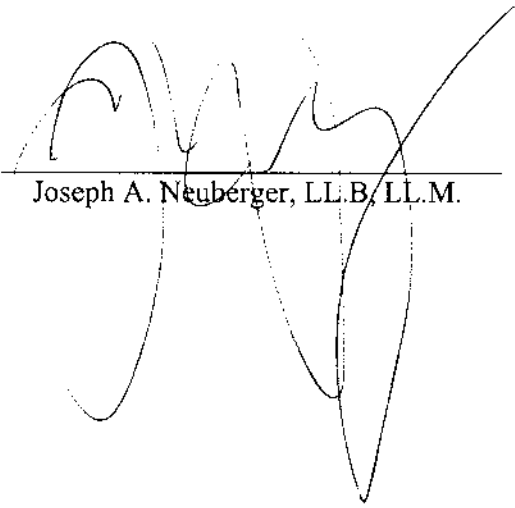
achieves its statutory goals and receive input as to how the Ministry and its stakeholders can assist each other.

The Ministry hereby appoints its counsel at the Inquiry as:

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