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New Assistant Chief Judges named

Edmonton...

Judge Eric W. Peterson and Judge Norman R. Hess have been named Assistant Chief Judges for the Provincial Court of Alberta, effective September 12, 2007.

Judge Peterson is designated Assistant Chief Judge for the Southern Region. He has held this position in an Acting capacity since January when he took over from Judge James A. Wood. Judge Peterson graduated law school from the University of Alberta in 1977 and was appointed to the Provincial Court in 1993. His term as Assistant Chief Judge is for five years.

Judge Hess is designated assistant Chief Judge for the Civil Division, taking over from Judge Brian E. Scott. Judge Hess graduated law school from the University of Alberta in 1971 and was appointed to the Provincial Court in 1999. He has been sitting in Calgary Civil Division since his judicial appointment. His term as Assistant Chief Judge is also for five years.

“Both Judge Peterson and Judge Hess bring extensive experience and knowledge to their new roles and I know they will continue to provide strong leadership to the Provincial Court,” said Ron Stevens, Deputy Premier and Minister of Justice and Attorney General. “I would also like to thank Judge Wood and Judge Scott for their hard work and guidance during their tenures as Assistant Chief Judges.”

Judge Wood is currently on leave and Judge Scott will continue to serve as a full-time judge in the Calgary Civil Division.

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