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**Speaker of the Legislative Assembly Announces Appointment of  
Acting Integrity Commissioner of Nunavut**

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (February 15, 2008)** – The Honourable Peter Kilabuk, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly and Chair of the Management and Services Board, today announced the appointment of Mr. David Phillip Jones, Q.C., as Acting Integrity Commissioner of Nunavut. Mr. Jones has served as the Yukon’s Conflict of Interest Commissioner since 2002.

The Honourable Robert Stanbury, P.C., Q.C., has informed the Speaker that for reasons of health and family obligations he will be retiring from office on March 31, 2008. The appointment of Mr. Jones takes effect on April 1, 2008. Mr. Stanbury commended Mr. Jones to the Assembly as a highly-respected colleague in the Canadian Conflict of Interest Network, which brings together federal, provincial and territorial ethics, integrity and conflict of interest commissioners.

Under the *Integrity Act*, the Management and Services Board of the Legislative Assembly may recommend the appointment of an Acting Integrity Commissioner when the office is vacant.

Speaker Kilabuk said, “David Jones is an exceptionally well-qualified individual to hold this position. His acting appointment will ensure continuity of service and authority until such time as a permanent appointment is made by the Legislative Assembly.”

Under its terms of reference, the Legislative Assembly’s Standing Committee *Ajauqtiit* will undertake a merit-based selection process for a candidate to recommend for appointment.

Speaker Kilabuk added, “On behalf of all Members of the Legislative Assembly, I would like to thank Bob Stanbury for his many years of service to Nunavut.”

A biographical note is attached.

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## Biography of David Phillip Jones, Q.C.

David Phillip Jones, Q.C. grew up in Calgary. He studied Economics and Political Science at McGill University in Montreal and Law as a Rhodes Scholar at the University of Oxford in England. For 16 years, Mr. Jones was a full-time law professor at McGill and at the University of Alberta.

His subjects included administrative law, constitutional law, property, taxation, and government control of business. He was Associate Dean at both McGill and Alberta, and was Acting Dean twice at Alberta.

He is co-author of Jones & de Villars' *Principles of Administrative Law* (first edition published by Carswell in 1985; 2nd edition 1994; 3rd edition 1999; 4th edition 2004), and is co-editor of the *Administrative Law Reports*. In addition, Mr. Jones is the author of numerous articles and comments in various law reviews, and is a frequent lecturer. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the Alberta Law Reform Institute for 8 years.

Since 1988, David has been in private practice in Edmonton with the "cerebral micro-firm" of de Villars Jones. The firm does considerable work in all areas of administrative law, acting for or against various government boards and agencies.

In May 2002, he was appointed Conflict of Interest Commissioner for the Yukon Legislative Assembly.

David chaired the Alberta Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs' Task Force on the Structure of the Securities Commission, as well as the Minister of the Environment's Task Force on Contaminated Sites.

The firm's administrative law practice includes acting for professional bodies and for clients involved in professional disciplinary matters. One of David's strengths is helping clients develop strategies to deal with governments or complex litigation. He was appointed by the Court as Special Counsel to the Liquidator of the Canadian Commercial Bank; was the legal architect in the recent privatisation of the four Alberta universities' joint pension plan; and has been involved in constitutional, regulatory and structural issues in the pipeline industry.

A significant part of Mr. Jones's practice involves acting as a neutral arbitrator, either as sole arbitrator or chairing boards of arbitration in both labour and commercial matters. He has written more than 400 labour arbitration awards over the past 20 years, arising from collective agreements throughout Western Canada in both the public and private sectors, both federal and provincial. He is a named arbitrator under numerous collective agreements, and chaired the tribunal arbitrating the teachers' salary disputes in Alberta.

One of his most interesting commercial arbitrations dealt with the price payable to Northern Canada Power Commission for the non-supply of electricity from the Aishik 3 Dam to the shut-in Cyprus Anvil Mine.

Mr. Jones holds the designation of Chartered Arbitrator from the ADR Institute of Canada, is a member of the Canadian Foundation for Dispute Resolution's Third Party Neutral Panel, and a member of the British Columbia International Arbitration Centre's panel of arbitrators. An increasing part of his practice has been devoted to acting as a mediator in difficult labour relations and commercial matters (including pension issues).