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New Director of Research Joins Law Reform Commission

Saskatoon- Donald Layh, Q.C., Chair of the Law Reform Commission of Saskatchewan, is pleased to announce the appointment of Reché McKeague to the position of Director of Research, effective September 1, 2011.

McKeague was called to the Saskatchewan Bar in 2006, having obtained her law degree, with distinction, from the University of Saskatchewan. Following her call to the Bar, she continued to practice law at Robertson Stromberg Pedersen where she spent her articling year. She next worked as Complaints Counsel for the Law Society of Saskatchewan. Most recently, she worked with the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan to revise the civil Rules of Court.

Chair of the commission, Donald Layh, is confident Ms. McKeague's proven record of research and collaboration with judges of the Court of Queen's Bench and her familiarity with members of the Saskatchewan Bar will stand the commission in good stead as it begins ambitious new projects of law reform in Saskatchewan. He said, "Saskatchewan's reputation as a leading law reform province in Canada is in good hands under the able research and writing skills of Ms. McKeague."

The Law Reform Commission is excited to welcome Ms. McKeague to its new location in the College of Law at the University of Saskatchewan. The work of the commission will benefit significantly from being located in the midst of the excellent research and education that occurs at the college.

The Law Reform Commission of Saskatchewan is incorporated by an Act of the Saskatchewan Legislature. Projects are initiated by the commission in response to suggestions from the public and the legal community, or at the request of the Minister of Justice. After preliminary research, the commission usually issues background or consultation papers to facilitate consultation. Tentative proposals may be issued if the legal issues involved in a project are complex. Upon completion of a project, the commission's independent recommendations are formally submitted to the Minister of Justice as final proposals. For more information, please visit www.lawreformcommission.sk.ca.

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