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Grey House Publishing Announces the Release of Canadian Parliamentary Guide 2015

Grey House Publishing Canada is proud to announce the publication of the 2015 edition of *Canadian Parliamentary Guide*. This celebrated database—first published since before Confederation—offers a comprehensive picture of elected and appointed officials in the federal and provincial government.

This edition of the *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* is our most current, with over 2,700 biographical sketches. Whether you are a journalist, law student, archivist or simply an individual with an interest in Canadian politics, you'll save time and find the essential information you need with this concise, yet complete research tool.

The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* has been called "an essential reference resource" by the American Reference Books Annual (ARBA), and Grey House Publishing Canada is pleased to publish this largely bilingual title for the eighth time.

Updates for 2015 include biographies reflecting changes in Senate, House of Commons, Courts, and provincial legislatures; updated voting results for recent by-elections and provincial elections in ON, NB and QC; and a new appendix for registered political parties.

In total, the *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* contains 2,709 biographical sketches. These include members of the **Governor General's Household**, the **Privy Council**, members of Canadian legislatures (**House of Commons** and the **Senate**, provincial and territorial), members of the **Federal Superior Courts** and the senior staff for these institutions. The sketches provide descriptions of each of the institutions, including brief historical information in text and chart format and significant facts (e.g., number of members and their salaries).

All biographies in this edition are current, and presented in the following standard format:

- **Personal:** Date and place of birth of the individual, education and family information.
- **Political Career:** Public career of the individual, e.g., service in the House of Commons, Senate or provincial legislatures, as well as service at the municipal level. This section also lists elected positions held in political parties, e.g., National President, Provincial Secretary.

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- **Private Career:** Work history outside politics, including military service, association memberships, publications and volunteer work.
- Address: Legislative and Constituency Office address, as well as home address/email.

The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* also covers the results of all federal general elections and by-elections from Confederation to the present, including the most recent provincial elections. The General Elections section is divided into two chapters, General Elections 1867-2008 and General Election 2011, followed by an individual Summary of Results section.

Next, the executive and members of the **Parliamentary Press Gallery** are listed and a brief description of the **Library of Parliament** and biographical sketches of its officers appear. Thirteen **Provincial/Territorial** chapters provide political information on the provinces and territories. Each chapter includes: Statistics, e.g., area, population, date of entry into Confederation, etc.; Description of the Legislative Assembly; List of Cabinet members; List of Constituencies; Lt. Governor Biography; and Members' Biographies.

The main body of the book concludes with profiles on Federal Superior Courts that include: **Supreme Court; Federal Court; Federal Court of Appeal; Court Martial Appeal Court; Tax Court of Canada**. Each profile begins with a brief description of the Court, its history, role, and list of judges. All courts except the Court Martial Appeals Court provide biographies of their judges. The Court Martial Appeal Court is largely comprised of judges from the Federal Court and other superior courts.

Information in the Canadian Parliamentary Guide can be located in several ways:

- Table of Contents lists the page numbers to 31 chapters and 105 subchapters
- Five Appendices: Table of Precedence; Table of Titles; Abbreviations; Canadian Representatives Abroad; Alma Maters. Directory of Legislators follows Appendices
- Chapters provide lists of members alphabetically by name, as well as by constituency
- Biographies appear in alphabetical order, within each section
- Name Index at the back of the book lists all individuals in alphabetical order
 The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* 2015 is available in print, by subscription and online via Grey House

Publishing Canada at <u>www.greyhouse.ca</u>. Don't delay! Order now to take advantage of this invaluable tool offering all the parliamentary information you need and more.

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