

THE HONOURABLE RICHARD J. CHARTIER CHIEF JUSTICE OF MANITOBA

Chief Justice Chartier was born in Saint-Boniface, Manitoba. He received his BA from l'Université de Saint Boniface in 1979 and his LLB from the Université de Moncton in 1982. He was called to the Manitoba Bar in 1983. Appointed to the Provincial Court of Manitoba in 1993 and to the Manitoba Court of Appeal in 2006. In March 2013, he was appointed Chief Justice of Manitoba. Prior to that, he had been a partner in the Winnipeg law firm of Aikins, MacAulay & Thorvaldson. He has presided over numerous commissions. In 1998, he reviewed Manitoba's French-language services. His report *Above All, Common Sense* was tabled in the legislative assembly and has since been fully implemented. In 2005, he was a member of a team that received the Gold Medal for Innovative Management from the Canadian Institute of Public Administrators for the "Domestic Violence Front-End Project". In 2006, that project was recognized in New York with the United Nations Public Service Award. In 2012, he was appointed Chair of the Federal Electoral Boundaries Commission of Manitoba. In 2014 and 2016 he chaired public inquiry committees reviewing the conduct of judges in Quebec and Ontario. In 2018, he chaired the Manitoba Electoral Division Boundaries Commission. From 2018-2020, he was the National Chair of the Judicial Education Committee of the Canadian Judicial Council (CJC); a member of the Board of Governors of the National Judicial Institute and a member of the Executive Committee of the CJC. He is currently a member of the CJC committee charged with revising the *Ethical Principles for Judges* and a member of the CJC's Nominating Committee of the Advisory Committee on Judicial Ethics. He also chairs the Queen's Counsel Advisory Council of Manitoba as well as the Advisory Council of the Order of Manitoba. He is also a strong believer in community service: prior to his appointment to the Court of Appeal, he was Chair of the Board of Directors at the St. Boniface Health Access Centre, the Taché Centre, the Foyer Valade and Vice-Chair of St-Boniface General Hospital.