

THE HONOURABLE MADAM JUSTICE JANICE E. LEMAISTRE

Justice leMaistre was appointed to the Manitoba Court of Appeal on June 19, 2015. Immediately prior to her appointment, Justice leMaistre was an Associate Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of Manitoba. She was appointed to the Provincial Court of Manitoba in 2006 and appointed Associate Chief Judge in 2009. Justice leMaistre attended the University of Manitoba where she received a Bachelor of Arts (1988) and a Bachelor of Laws (1991). She was admitted to the Manitoba Bar in 1992 and worked at Manitoba Justice for 14 years, primarily in the area of domestic violence prosecutions. As a lawyer, Justice leMaistre became actively involved in legal education. Since becoming a judge, she has continued her involvement by developing and presenting at educational programs, including programs focussed on domestic violence, courtroom skills and the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. She also co-edited a book entitled *What's Law Got To Do With It?: The Law, Specialized Courts and Domestic Violence*. Throughout her career, Justice leMaistre has participated in the development of a number of key initiatives in the criminal justice system, including the Domestic Violence Front End Project, which won the United Nation's Public Service Award, and the Gold Medal for Innovative Management from the Institute of Public Administration of Canada. In 2005, Justice leMaistre received the Manitoba Service Excellence Award for Leadership.