Justice Karen Simonsen

Justice Simonsen was appointed to the Manitoba Court of Appeal on August 31, 2018 and she elected supernumerary status on October 8, 2022.

Justice Simonsen received a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Manitoba in 1981 and was admitted to the Manitoba Bar in 1982. She practised law with Thompson, Dorfman Sweatman, as an associate and then a partner of the firm, from 1982 until her appointment to the Manitoba Court of Queen's Bench (General Division) in December 2004. In her law practise, Justice Simonsen specialized in the area of civil litigation, with an emphasis on insurance and personal injury.

As a judge of the Court of Queen's Bench, Justice Simonsen served as chair of the Court's small claims and e-discovery committees, and the Queen's Bench Rules Committee, a joint committee of the bench and bar responsible for the Court's civil rules. She continues to serve as the representative of the Court of Appeal on the King's Bench Rules Committee.