

## Lawyers Appointed to the Queen's Counsel

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Fourteen of the province's top lawyers are being awarded the prestigious Queen's Counsel (Q.C.) designation.

Minister of Justice and Attorney General Mark Furey announced the Q.C. appointments today, April 3. An official ceremony will be held at the Lieutenant Governor's House in May.

"I applaud this year's appointees," said Mr. Furey. "The Queen's Counsel is reserved for those who have represented their profession with the highest integrity and who have contributed greatly to their communities. These individuals represent the diversity and values for which Nova Scotia is so highly regarded."

The appointees are:

- Victor J. Goldberg, Halifax
- Marcia Brennan, Halifax
- Ingrid Brodie, Kentville
- Lena Metlege Diab, Halifax
- Allen Murray, Antigonish
- Alonzo C. Wright, Halifax
- Denise Mentis-Smith, Bedford
- Cheryl A. Canning, Halifax
- James Rossiter, Halifax
- Aleta C. Cromwell, Truro
- Gail L. Gatchalian, Halifax
- Andrew Fraser, Halifax
- Kevin Donald Gibson, Halifax
- Jill S. Perry, Sydney

The Q.C. designation is awarded annually to members of the legal profession to recognize exceptional merit and outstanding contributions to the legal community.

An independent advisory committee makes Queen's Counsel recommendations to cabinet. Criteria include a minimum of 15 years as a member of the bar of Nova Scotia, demonstrated professional integrity and good character.

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