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Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice's Annual Conference: "Civil Justice and Economics: A Matter of Value"

Montreal, September 27, 2016 – The Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice (CIAJ) will hold its 41st Annual Conference focusing on civil justice and economics at the Fairmont Château Laurier, in Ottawa, from October 5 to 7, 2016.

"To improve the system, we need a new way of thinking that concentrates on simplicity, coherence, proportionality and sustainability at every stage of the process," said the Honourable Thomas Cromwell, Honorary Chair of the Conference. According to CIAJ's Executive Director, Ms. Michèle Moreau, it is "a great opportunity for everyone to discuss the current economic issues that could impact the future of justice in Canada, and lay the groundwork for change."

In keeping with its mission, CIAJ aims to bring together as many participants as possible: the judiciary, members of administrative tribunals, lawyers, professors, legislative counsel, court administrators, and representatives of government and community organizations. Over 40 experts from across Canada will address issues surrounding the cost of justice. Held with the financial support of the Canadian Forum on Civil Justice (CFCJ), the conference is co-chaired by the Honourable Justice Georgina R. Jackson, from the Court of appeal for Saskatchewan and Mr. Patrick A. Molinari, counsel at Lavery LLP, respectively President and Vice-President of CIAJ. A free student program, open to the public and addressing the impact of self-represented litigants on the civil system, will follow the official program on Friday afternoon, at the University of Ottawa.

The full brochure and all details are available on CIAJ's website: <u>https://ciaj-icaj.ca/en/events/civil-justice-and-economics-a-matter-of-value/</u>

About CIAJ

The Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice (CIAJ) promotes excellence and leadership in the administration of justice through knowledge, learning and the exchange of ideas. The CIAJ offers education and research programs and provides a forum for everyone interested in the administration of justice. Since its inception in 1974, the CIAJ has kept a critical eye on our justice system and explored cutting-edge issues likely to improve the administration of justice and preserve a strong and independent judiciary.

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