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UNIVERSITÉ DE SHERBROOKE PROFESSOR VÉRONIQUE FORTIN NAMED RECIPIENT OF THE 2018 CHARLES D. GONTHIER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Montreal, May 14, 2018 – The Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice (CIAJ) is pleased to announce that Prof. Véronique Fortin, Associate Professor at the Université de Sherbrooke Faculty of Law and member of the Critical Legal Research Laboratory, is the recipient of the 2018 Charles D. Gonthier Research Fellowship. She will present results of her research project entitled “*Les tribunaux en santé mentale: la justice comme service?*” (Mental Health Courts: Justice as a Service?) at CIAJ’s Annual Conference on Justice and Mental Health this fall.

CHARLES-D.-GONTHIER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Created in 2009 and named in honour of the late Mr. Justice Charles D. Gonthier of the Supreme Court of Canada, a former President of the Institute, the Charles D. Gonthier Research Fellowship of \$7,500 is awarded annually to an academic selected by the jury who will best research the topic of CIAJ’s Annual Conference. Each conference focuses on a specific aspect of the Institute’s themes: Justice as a humanistic and social value; Justice as a public service and Justice in a global economy and interdependent world.

CIAJ’S 43rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE: “JUSTICE AND MENTAL HEALTH”

The conference on Justice and Mental Health will address a set of current and future oriented issues raised by the courts’ and justice system’s responses to mental health problems and illnesses on three levels: challenges in the courtroom, systems level, conceptual and philosophical challenges. The conference will be multi-disciplinary, calling upon experts in law, psychiatry and psychology, and will be of interest to all members of the legal community. The event will welcome over 40 speakers from all across Canada and will take place in Ottawa, October 17-19, 2018.

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Since its inception in 1974, the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice (CIAJ) brings together individuals and institutions involved in the administration of justice and promotes excellence through knowledge, learning and the exchange of ideas. CIAJ offers multidisciplinary training programs designed for all stakeholders in the justice system, prepares reports and issues recommendations that could lay the groundwork for change.

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