



July 12, 2016

**Sent via email and post**

The Honourable Jody Wilson-Raybould  
Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada  
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**David Crossin, QC**  
President

Dear Minister:

**Re: Appointment of Justices to the Supreme Court of Canada**

In light of the resignation of Mr. Justice Cromwell and what we understand is the government's interest in considering principles that should apply to the appointments of Justices to the Supreme Court of Canada, the Law Society of British Columbia has taken the opportunity to consider the issue with a view to developing recommendations.

We would be obliged if you would receive a copy of the enclosed report of the Subcommittee of the Rule of Law and Lawyer Independence Advisory Committee that addresses principles for the appointment of Judges to that Court. The Benchers approved this statement of principles at their meeting of July 8, 2016.

We would, of course, be pleased to discuss its contents and address any questions you may have arising from this report at your convenience.

Yours truly,

  
David Crossin, QC  
President

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