



Métis National Council Justice Forum
The Westin, Calgary, Alberta
Wednesday April 12th – Thursday April 13th, 2023

April 12, 2023 – AGENDA
Métis Self-Determination in the Justice System

7:30 – 8:30 am	Breakfast - Eau Claire North/South Room, Lower Level Registration - West Foyer, Conference Level
8:30 – 8:45 am	Justice Forum Day One – Bonavista Room, Conference Level Welcome by Forum Facilitator Jocelyn Gosselin
8:45 – 9:00 am	Opening Prayer & Welcome by Elder Doreen Bergum
9:00 – 9:15 am	Welcome by President Audrey Poitras, Métis Nation of Alberta
9:15 – 10:15 am	Session 1: Métis Nation Justice and Policing <i>Métis National Council – Overview, Current Status and Future Directions</i> (Brandon Macleod, Director of Justice & Legislative Affairs) <i>Les Femmes Michif Otipemisiwak - Weaving Miskotaha</i> (Lisa Pigeau, Senior Political Advisor)
10:15 – 10:30 am	Discussion / Q&A
10:45 – 11:00 am	HEALTH BREAK - West Foyer, Conference Level
11:00 – 11:45 am	Session 2: Advancing Métis Policing Priorities <i>Presentation: Sharon Bourque, Métis Nation of Alberta Justice Initiatives Manager & Cst. Vernon Hagen, Royal Canadian Mounted Police Métis Community Liaison Officer</i>
11:45 – 12:00 pm	Discussion / Q&A
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Luncheon - Eau Claire North/South Room, Lower Level
1:00 – 1:45 pm	Session 3: Self-Government and Criminal Justice <i>Presentation: Mitch Case, Métis Nation of Ontario – Region 4 Councillor</i> <i>Presentation: Métis Nation British Columbia Justice Council</i> <i>Presentation: Kory Wilson, First Nations Justice Council – Director & Lead on Indigenous Justice Centres and Women and Justice</i>
1:45 – 2:00 pm	Discussion / Q&A
2:00 – 2:15 pm	HEALTH BREAK - West Foyer, Conference Level

2:15 – 3:00 pm	Session 4: Revitalizing Métis Constitutionalism, Legal Customs and Traditions <i>Presentation: Dr. Adam Gaudry, PhD, Vice Dean, Faculty of Native Studies, University of Alberta</i>
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Discussion / Q&A
3:15 – 4:15 pm	Session 5: Developments in Reconciliation: the Métis Nation, UNDRIP implementation and s.35 <i>Introduction</i> <i>Presentation: Emilie Lahaie, Cassels Brock & Blackwell</i> <i>Presentation: Jason Madden, Pape Salter Teillet</i>
4:15 – 4:30 pm	Discussion / Q&A
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UNDRIP Implementation

7:30 – 8:30 am	Breakfast - Eau Claire North/South Room, Lower Level Registration (Day 2 check in) - West Foyer, Conference Level
8:30 – 8:45 am	Justice Forum Day Two – Bonavista Room, Conference Level Opening Prayer by Elder Kathy Boston
8:45 – 9:00 am	Welcome by President Cassidy Caron, Métis National Council
9:00 – 10:30 am	Session 1: Métis Nation UNDRIP Implementation & Federal Action Plan Co-Development <i>Updates:</i> <u>Métis Nation British Columbia</u> (Melanie Walker, Director of Métis Rights, Negotiations, & Justice); <u>Métis Nation of Alberta</u> (Tyler Fetch, Director of Intergovernmental Relations); <u>Métis Nation – Saskatchewan</u> (Dorothy Myo, Deputy Chief, Self-Government); <u>Métis Nation of Ontario</u> (Brian Tucker, Director of Rights, Research & Policy); <u>Les Femmes Michif Otipemisiwak</u> (Lisa Pigeau, Senior Political Advisor); <u>Métis National Council</u> (Brandon Macleod, Director of Justice & Legislative Affairs); <u>Justice Canada Overview & Update</u> (Keith Bellerose-Smith, Director General, UN Declaration Act Implementation Secretariat)
10:30 – 10:45 am	Discussion / Q&A
10:45 – 11:00 am	HEALTH BREAK - West Foyer, Conference Level
11:00 – 11:45 am	Session 2: UNDRIP Key Legal Developments <i>Presentation: Alexander Kirby, Arvay Findlay LLP</i> <i>Panel Discussion: Alexander Kirby Arvay Findlay LLP; Zachary Davis, Pape Salter Teillet; and Emilie Lahaie, Cassels Brock & Blackwell</i>
11:45 – 12:00 pm	Discussion / Q&A

12:00 – 1:00 pm	Luncheon
1:00 – 1:45 pm	Session 3: Designing and Building the Métis Court in Saskatchewan <i>Presentation: Marilyn Poitras</i>
1:45 – 2:00 pm	Discussion / Q&A
2:00 – 2:15 pm	HEALTH BREAK - West Foyer, Conference Level
2:15 – 2:30 pm	Nation-to-Nation Panel: Implementing UNDRIP – Progress and Next Steps <i>President Cassidy Caron, Métis National Council</i> <i>The Hon. David Lametti, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada</i>
3:30 – 3:45 pm	Forum Closing Announcements by Facilitator Jocelyn Gosselin Closing Prayer by Elder Doreen Bergum
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