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New chair appointed to Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission

*Edmonton...*The Honourable Marguerite Trussler, retired Justice of the Queen's Bench, has been appointed Chair of the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission (AGLC).

"Ms. Trussler brings an impressive amount of community- and judicial-based experience to this appointment," said Fred Lindsay, Solicitor General and Minister of Public Security and Minister responsible for the AGLC. "Her commitment to community and the people of this province will be reflected in Ms. Trussler's future work with the AGLC Board and staff."

Trussler was the successful candidate in an open competition before an interview panel that included industry representatives. Trussler's appointment is effective immediately and expires November 30, 2010.

Trussler serves as Chairperson of the Provincial AIDS Advisory Committee and Vice-Chairperson and founder of the Victoria School Foundation for the Arts. She recently served as Chairperson of the Court of Queen's Bench Family Law Committee, as a member of the Editorial Board, Canadian Bar Review and as President of the International Association of Women Judges.

In her position as Board Chair, Trussler will work with her fellow board members and AGLC staff to administer the *Gaming and Liquor Act*, regulation and related policy. The board's primary duties include monitoring the performance of the AGLC, establishing the corporation's long-term strategic policy for the gaming and liquor industries in Alberta and conducting hearings.

In addition to Trussler's appointment, Jim Hansen and Ross Goldsworthy join the AGLC Board as members. Hansen brings a career of diverse experience in Alberta's hospitality and tourism industry to the board, while Goldsworthy's career has focused on the strategic, financial and operational aspect of the transportation sector as well as community mediation.

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