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## **The SDRCC announces a new Chairperson and new Board Members**

Montréal (Québec) - Mr. Brad Kielmann succeeded Mr. William (Mick) Ryan as chairman of the Board of Directors of the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC), effective September 4, 2021. SDRCC also welcomed three new Board members, Mr. Pierre Chabot, Ms. Heather Kemkaran-Antymniuk, and Ms. Dorianne Mullin who were appointed for three-year mandates.

Brad Kielmann (Surrey, BC) is legal counsel with McQuarrie Hunter LLP, specializing in commercial disputes and professional discipline proceedings. Prior to returning to private practice, he was a Crown Prosecutor for the BC Prosecution Service. He has also served as an appellate adjudicator for WorkSafeBC. He currently sits on the Governance Committee for BC Hockey, as well as on the Discipline and Ethics Committee for Softball BC.

Pierre Chabot (Lorraine, QC) has been a member of the Quebec Bar since 1991 and holds a Graduate Diploma in Taxation from HEC Montreal. He is currently practicing in the Corporate, Legal and Governance group of Hydro-Québec in compliance and sustainable development. He has also been actively involved as a tennis official at the provincial, national and international level since 1988, where he officiated in several major tournaments of the ATP, WTA and ITF.

Heather Kemkaran-Antymniuk (Winnipeg, MB) is a founding partner of AVS Law where she practices Family Law. She is also a Qualified Mediator, member of ADR Institute of Canada, ADR Institute of Manitoba and Family Arbitration and Mediation Institute. She was the Canadian Figure Skating Champion in 1978 and 1980 and represented Canada at the 1980 Winter Olympic Games, as well as the 1977 and 1978 World Championships.

Dorianne Mullin (Dartmouth, NS) is a lawyer with more than 15 years' experience in family, labour and employment law. She is currently a solicitor for the Nova Scotia Department of Justice. She represented New Brunswick at the Canada Games in 1989 in running. She has been an advocate for the LGBTQ2S+ community in the Canadian Bar Association's Sexual Orientation Gender Identity Community Section for ten years.

"It is such an honour for me to accept this nomination as Chairperson of an organization that fosters a culture of integrity, procedural fairness and respect in sport", Brad Kielmann said. "I wish to thank Mick Ryan and the other departing Board members for their incredible contributions to the organization over the past six years. I am pleased to welcome our new Board members, as they bring an incredible wealth of knowledge and experience to advance the SDRCC mandate, including in the implementation of the independent mechanism to prevent and address maltreatment in sport."

More detailed biographies of SDRCC Board members are available at [crdsc-sdrcc.ca/eng/about-bod](http://crdsc-sdrcc.ca/eng/about-bod).

### **About the SDRCC**

The SDRCC is a not-for-profit corporation created by federal legislation and funded by the Government of Canada. The mission of the SDRCC is to provide the sport community with a national alternative dispute resolution service and strengthen the culture of fairness in Canadian sport by resolving disputes quickly and efficiently and to provide expertise and assistance regarding alternative dispute resolution. Recently, the SDRCC was also mandated by the Government of Canada to implement an independent safe sport mechanism at the national level.

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