



COURT OF APPEAL FOR THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES  
COUR D'APPEL DES TERRITOIRES DU NORD-OUEST

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal of the Northwest Territories  
Is on Medical Leave Following Surgery

January 7, 2026

The Honourable Chief Justice Ritu Khullar is on medical leave following surgery during the holidays.

The Honourable Dawn Pentelechuk is the Acting Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal of the Northwest Territories in Chief Justice Khullar's absence.

S. H. Smallwood  
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of  
the Northwest Territories