

IN THE MATTER OF THE *JUSTICES OF THE PEACE ACT*, RSNWT 1988, c. J-3
AND IN THE MATTER OF AN INVESTIGATION REGARDING
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE BRIGHTON LUBANSA

NOTICE OF HEARING

To: **Justice of the Peace Brighton Difiny Lubansa**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a duly constituted Review Council established pursuant to section 4(1) of the *Justices of the Peace Act* (the "**Act**") of the Northwest Territories (the "**Review Council**") has received a referral of a matter requiring consideration from the Chief Judge of the Territorial Court of the Northwest Territories pursuant to section 7(2)(e) of the Act.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with section 9(1) of the Act the Review Council shall inquire into the matter by holding a Hearing before the Review Council composed of the following appointed members or designates:

- Judge Robert Gorin (designate of Chief Judge Jeannie Scott), Chairperson
- Judge Gary Magee
- Mr. Mark Wharton (designated justice of the peace)
- Mrs. Joan Mercredi (representative of the public)

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that in accordance with section 9(2)(a) of the Act the following persons or entities are entitled to Notice of the Hearing:

Justice of the Peace Brighton Difiny Lubansa ("**Lubansa**")

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that, pursuant to the authority of the Review Council under the Act, Craig D. Boyer, K.C. has been appointed as Presenting Counsel to assist the Review Council in these proceedings. Presenting Counsel shall be responsible for presenting the matter referred to the Review Council and for making such submissions as may assist the Review Council in carrying out its mandate under the Act.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that, by letter dated September 2, 2026, Lubansa tendered his resignation to the Minister of Justice of the Northwest Territories which has been accepted.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the Review Council has directed that this Hearing proceed by way of written submissions.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that Presenting Counsel and counsel Lubansa shall each provide written submissions addressing the issues before the Review Council, including the effect, if any, of Lubansa's resignation on the Review Council's jurisdiction and authority to continue the proceeding and make recommendations under the Act.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the written submissions of Presenting Counsel and counsel for Lubansa shall be delivered to counsel for the Review Council, Jon Rossall, K.C. and Erik Holmstrom, on or before November 6th 2026, for distribution to the members of the Review Council and for posting on the Northwest Territories Courts website in accordance with this Notice.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that Presenting Counsel and counsel for Justice of the Peace Lubansa may provide joint written submissions addressing some or all of the issues before the Review Council, including any agreed position respecting the effect of the Justice of the Peace's resignation on the Review Council's jurisdiction, provided that any remaining issues in dispute are addressed by separate submissions.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that the written submissions filed by Presenting Counsel and counsel for Lubansa shall be made available to the public and posted on the Northwest Territories Courts website, subject to any order of the Review Council restricting publication or disclosure.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that, following receipt and consideration of the written submissions, the Review Council shall prepare and provide a written report to the Commissioner in Executive Council and the Chief Judge in accordance with

section 11 of the Act setting out its findings and recommendations respecting the matters before it.

DATED at the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories, this 15th day of October, 2026.



Judge Robert Gorin
Chair of the Justice of the Peace
Review Council

To: Paul Parker, Counsel for
Brighton Difiny Lubansa

Craig D. Boyer, K.C., Presenting Counsel