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Attn. Chris G Paliere

Dear Sir,

Re: Inquiry Committee regarding The Honourable Mr. Justice Paul Cosgrove

I have your letter and enclosure of the 9th of July last and am pleased to provide you with my comments regarding the character and judicial integrity of Justice Cosgrove.

As your letter suggests, Justice Cosgrove is known to me as a judicial colleague having been appointed the same year. Prior to our appointments, he was a colleague in the House of Commons, and became a close associate when he was first elected, and I was asked to offer such assistance as I might be able to provide in the presentation of certain legislation to the house.

That close relationship showed him to be a man of temperate character, willing to profit from such experience as I might have, a ready listener, and a person not quick to jump to conclusions or action.

Post appointment, Justice Cosgrove was among those of my colleagues with whom I felt great comfort in seeking advice, both legal and administrative, and I always found that counsel to be reliable, well founded, and profound.

Review of his many decisions likewise persuaded me that he had sound legal judgement, and ongoing discussions as to the administration of judicial affairs in our respective jurisdictions confirmed the rational and fair approach I attribute to him.

Justice Cosgrove has in my view always conducted himself in a manner likely to promote respect for the Judiciary, and himself personally. Although he would be the first to admit his humanness, and the ever present possibility of being in error when making a decision, I can think of no other colleague in whom I would have greater trust that every effort would be made in advance of decision making to assure a proper and just result likely to raise the repute of the bench and the system of Justice.

In short, I have always considered Justice Cosgrove to be a prime example of what a Judge should be, a credit to the bench, and a person that the public generally would have great confidence in as a representative of the Court.

I sincerely trust that these few words will be helpful in the circumstances, and thank you for the opportunity to express them on Justice Cosgrove's behalf.

Yours very truly,



Robert Daudlin

Justice SCO (Retired)