

# ME SIMON-PIERRE PAQUETTE JOINS THE LAURENTIAN PILOTAGE AUTHORITY AS GENERAL COUNSEL AND CORPORATE SECRETARY

MONTRÉAL, JULY 19, 2018 — The Laurentian Pilotage Authority (LPA) is happy to announce the appointment of Me Simon-Pierre Paquette as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary. Me Paquette will oversee the LPA's legal affairs, providing strategic legal counsel and representing the Authority before the courts and during negotiations. Moreover, as part of his duties as Corporate Secretary, Me Paquette will play a key role in supporting the Chief Executive Officer and Board of Directors in ensuring the organization's proper governance. Boasting over 15 years' experience, he will actively take part in the development of the LPA's strategic planning. Me Paquette's appointment will officially come into effect on July 30.

"Through his extensive experience, Me Simon-Pierre Paquette's contribution to our team represents an undeniable asset for the Laurentian Pilotage Authority," said Fulvio Fracassi, CEO of the LPA. "His legal expertise and experience accrued over the years make him an ideal addition to our team and will enable him to make a valuable contribution to the attainment of our strategic and operational objectives."

#### Proven and renowned legal expertise

Me Paquette began his career in the early 2000s, and has extensive knowledge and expertise in labour and employment law, including human rights, labour relations, labour standards and grievance arbitration, among others. Before joining the team, Me Paquette was the interim Senior Counsel for the Canadian National Railway Company (CN) where he worked since 2009.

Early on in his career, he was employed at various law firms, including Heenan Blaikie, where he worked on several strategic cases pertaining to labour and employment law for seven years. Leveraging his professional track record and expertise, he also wrote several articles on various legal issues and acted as a moderator and speaker.

Me Paquette has been a member of the Barreau du Québec since 2002 and the Canadian Association of Counsel to Employers since 2009.

#### **About the Laurentian Pilotage Authority**

The LPA is a financially autonomous federal crown corporation responsible for administering and providing marine pilotage services on the St. Lawrence River and Saguenay River. Its mission consists in ensuring navigation safety by providing efficient marine pilotage services at a reasonable cost in collaboration with pilots, their corporations and the marine industry.

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