

Federal Court



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Associate Judge Positions in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal: Evaluation of Candidates to Begin January 15, 2023

The Commissioner of Federal Judicial Affairs is seeking applications from barristers or advocates who are members in good standing of any provincial or territorial Bar, and who have extensive professional experience spanning at least ten years, to fill one current and one pending Associate Judge vacancy at the Federal Court, in Toronto, and to update the pool of candidates for Ottawa and Montreal. If they wish to be considered, interested parties should submit an application by January 15, 2023 when review of applications will begin.

Bilingualism is a requirement in Montreal and an asset in Ottawa and Toronto.

Associate Judges are appointed under the [Federal Courts Act \(s. 12\)](#). They are full judicial officers and exercise many of the powers and functions of Federal Court judges. Their authority includes mediation, case management, practice motions (including those that may result in a final disposition of the case, regardless of the amount in question), as well as trials of actions in which up to \$100,000 is claimed (see Rules [50](#), [382](#), and [383 to 387](#) of the [Federal Courts Rules](#)).

- [Appointments of Associate Judges of the Federal Court](#)
- [Associate Judge Position - Guide for Candidates](#)
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On September 23, 2022, by Order in Council, section 2 of the Judges Act was amended by repealing the definition *prothonotary* and by adding *associate judge*.