## Court Martial Appeal Court of Canada



## Federal Court



## Cour d'appel de la cour martiale du Canada

Cour fédérale

**OTTAWA, July 2, 2014** – The Honorable Edmond P. Blanchard, Chief Justice of the Court Martial Appeal Court of Canada and a member of the Federal Court, passed away after a short battle with cancer on June 27, 2014, at the Ottawa Hospital - General campus. He was 60 years old. Originally from Atholville, New Brunswick, he completed his law degree at Dalhousie University and was called to the Bar of New Brunswick in 1979. He practiced law in Campbellton before being elected to the New Brunswick legislature where he held a number of ministerial positions including Attorney General and Minister of Justice, and Minister of Finance. In October 2000, he was appointed Judge of the Federal Court of Canada, Trial Division and ex officio member of the Court of Canada.

Chief Justice Blanchard will lie in repose at the Supreme Court of Canada Grand Hall in Ottawa on Thursday, July 3, 2014, between 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. A Memorial Service to honor his life and accomplishments will be held at Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica, in Ottawa, on Friday, July 4, 2014, at 9:30 a.m.

A second visitation will take place on Sunday, July 6, 2014, at the Savoie Funeral Home in Campbellton, New Brunswick from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. A Funeral Mass will be held at Notre-Dame de Lourdes Church in Atholville, New Brunswick, on Monday July 7, 2014, at 11:00 am. In memoriam, donations to a charity of your choice would be appreciated.

Arrangements entrusted to the Kelly Funeral Home, Somerset Chapel, 613-235-6712 www.kellyfh.ca

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