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IN THE MATTER OF THE *LEGAL PROFESSION ACT* R.S.N.W.T. C.I-12 AND IN THE MATTER OF AN INQUIRY INTO THE CONDUCT OF JAMES MORTON, A MEMBER OF THE LAW SOCIETY OF NUNAVUT NOTICE OF HEARING

On August 21, 2018, Mr. Thomas Ahlfors, Acting Chair of the Discipline Committee of the Law Society of Nunavut issued a Notice of Direction and Suspension with respect to Mr. James Morton. In accordance with paragraph 24.1(1)(c) of the *Legal Profession Act*, Ms. Sara Siebert, Ms. Shayne Kert and Mr. David Stout, members of the Discipline Committee, were appointed as a Committee of Inquiry to conduct an inquiry into the conduct of Mr. James Morton related to the criminal charges brought against him under the *Criminal Code* and any conduct thereafter.

The Law Society of Nunavut has submitted that Mr. James Morton engaged in conduct unbecoming within the meaning of subsection 22(2) of the *Legal Profession Act*, committed professional misconduct by failing to carry on the practice of law honourably and with integrity, as required by Rule 2.1-1 of the *Model Code of Professional Conduct*, and failed to notify the Secretary of the Law Society of Nunavut, forthwith and in writing, that *Criminal Code* charges were laid against him, as required under subsection 98(2) of the *Rules of the Law Society of Nunavut*.

In light of current situation, this matter will be proceeding by way of a virtual hearing on June 25, 2020, commencing at 10:00am ET. The hearing is open to the public. Anyone who wishes to attend may contact the Law Society of Nunavut to make arrangements no later than June 18, 2020, 5pm ET. If you require translation to Inuktitut, please also confirm your request when contacting the Law Society of Nunavut as follows: Nalini Vaddapalli, CEO at ceo@lawsociety.nu.ca.

Dated this 1^{rst} Day of June 2020.

Nalini Vaddapalli, CEO - Deputy Secretary