



B.C. lawyers appointed Judicial Justices of the Provincial Court

Carmella Osborn and Christopher Maddock have recently been sworn in as *per diem* Judicial Justices of the Provincial Court of British Columbia.

Ms. Osborn obtained her LLB from the University of British Columbia in 1975 and was called to the B.C. Bar in 1976. Following articles with the Attorney General of British Columbia, she served as a prosecutor with the Public Prosecution Service of Canada for approximately three years. Thereafter, she was a Federal Crown Prosecutor with the firm of Green, Murdoch & Company in Port Coquitlam and New Westminster for approximately 15 years until 2010. Since that time she has been engaged as *ad hoc* Crown counsel and criminal defence counsel.

Mr. Maddock attained his LLB from the University of New Brunswick in 1978 and was called to the B.C. Bar in 1979. Mr. Maddock was a sole practitioner in Victoria from 1979 to 1981 and from 1986 to 1987. He served as the managing lawyer at the Burns Lake Native Law Centre from 1981 to 1986 and as staff lawyer with the Legal Services Society in Prince George from 1987 to 1988. Thereafter, Mr. Maddock was the managing lawyer at Abbotsford Community Services. Most recently, he was a sole practitioner acting as the local agent for Legal Services Society in Chilliwack, B.C.

Judicial justices preside in traffic and by-law trials, consider search warrant applications, conduct bail hearings by telephone and video, and deal with pre-trial matters in problem-solving courts. Judicial Justices Maddock and Osborn will be assigned duties at the Justice Centre and in the Traffic Division.

For more information on the appointment and work of [Judicial Justices](#) see this link on the B.C. Provincial Court website.