



PROVINCE OF SASKATCHEWAN

## NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

### Re: Guidelines Applicable to Court-to-Court Communications in Cross-Border Cases

In 2000, the American Law Institute developed *Guidelines Applicable to Court-to-Court Communications in Cross-Border Cases* (the *Guidelines*) as part of its Transnational Insolvency Project. The *Guidelines* are intended to enhance co-ordination and harmonization of insolvency proceedings which involve more than one jurisdiction by providing directions for communications between the courts in the jurisdictions involved. The *Guidelines* are applicable to cross-border communications between Canada and the United States of America and between Canada and Mexico.

The International Insolvency Institute approved the *Guidelines* in 2001 and recommended that insolvency professionals and courts adopt the *Guidelines* to facilitate court-to-court communications in cross-border matters. In October 2006, the Canadian Judicial Council passed a resolution that all provincial jurisdictions adopt the *Guidelines*.

Following this recommendation, the Court of Queen's Bench for Saskatchewan reviewed and adopted the *Guidelines* on November 29, 2006. The *Guidelines* are available on the International Insolvency Institute website at [www.iiiglobal.org](http://www.iiiglobal.org).

The *Guidelines* are intended to encourage and facilitate co-operation in international cases while observing all applicable rules and procedures of the Court of Queen's Bench. The *Guidelines* are not restricted to insolvency cases, and may be of assistance in other international cases. The *Guidelines* do not alter the substantive rights of the parties. Utilization of these *Guidelines* by our Court will be contingent upon the adoption of the *Guidelines* by the court or courts in the other country in a substantially similar manner to ensure that judges, counsel, and parties are not subject to different standards of conduct.

April 26, 2007

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R.D. Laing', written over a horizontal line.

Robert D. Laing,  
Chief Justice.