BLG's Louise Arbour to receive Symons Medal

Medal recognizes those who make outstanding contributions to Canada

Montréal (May 26, 2021) – Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) is pleased to announce that The Honourable Louise Arbour, C.C, G.O.Q., is the recipient of this year's Symons Medal.

The Symons Medal is one of Canada's most prestigious honours, which Madame Arbour is receiving for her many contributions to the public good. A Senior Counsel at BLG, Madame Arbour was the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights; a former justice of the Supreme Court of Canada; and a former Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Tribunals for the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda. She was recently appointed to lead an independent review into sexual misconduct in the Canadian Armed Forces.

The Symons Medal Lecture takes place Oct. 29, 2021, at Confederation Centre of the Arts in Charlottetown, P.E.I. Madame Arbour will receive her medal and give a lecture on the state of Canada's Confederation. Past Symons recipients include historian Dr. Margaret MacMillan; The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, Chief Justice of Canada; and Senator Murray Sinclair, Chairman of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

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