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James K. Hugessen fonds

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Dates: 1972-2007

Extent: 2.7 m of textual records
11 photographs

Biographical Sketch

Born in Montreal in 1933, James K. Hugessen was educated at Oxford University and McGill University. After graduating with a B.C.L. from McGill in 1957, he was called to the bar in 1958 and entered private practice. From 1962 to 1974 he was an adjunct professor in McGill's Faculty of Law. In 1972 he was appointed as a justice of the Quebec Superior Court. In 1983 he became a judge of the Federal Court of Canada, Appeal Division and retired in 2008. After his retirement, he was appointed as a deputy judge of the Federal Court. His other appointments have included the Administrative Tribunal of the International Labour Organization and the Supreme Court of the North-West Territories. A visually-disabled person, he served as the chair of the federal Task Force on Access to Information for Print-Disabled Canadians. In 2009, as a result of his outstanding judicial career and long term service to McGill's Faculty of Law, he was given the F.R. Scott Award for Distinguished Service.

Custodial History

These records were acquired in four separate deposits in 2008 and 2009. In 2008 the judgments, bench books and some publications were acquired directly from James Hugessen at his Federal Court Office in Ottawa. The other deposit in 2008 was a file of correspondence hand delivered by James Hugessen to the McGill University Archives. In 2009 two further deposits were made, a file of correspondence by post and calendar day books, publications and a file sent by courier.

Scope and Content

The fonds documents his activities as a federal judge in Montreal and Ottawa and consists chiefly of judgments, 1972-2007 and bench note books, 1972-1999 with some congratulatory correspondence concerning his appointments as well as related certificates, and photographs. These records reflect the extent of his records keeping activities in textual form. Later records were created only as electronic records. These were not acquired.

Source of Title Proper: Title based on contents of the fonds.

Language: Material in English and French.

Restrictions on Access: Open

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Provenance: Hugessen, James K.

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unit number	Title	Date(s)	Notes
2008-0218.01.01.01 to.36	[Judgements]	1972-2007	
2008-0218.01.02.01 to.35	[Bench note books]	1972-1999	
2008-0218.01.03.1 to 13	Agendas	1977-1989	
2008-0218.01.4.1	[Correspondence]	1983	
2008-0218.01.4.2	[Correspondence]	1972-1991	
2008-0218.01.4.3.1	[Correspondence]	1972	
2008-0218.01.4.4.2	[Correspondence]	1972	
2008-0218.01.5.1	[Paperwork]		
2008-0218.02.1-6	Melanges Judiciaires - Bulletins	1972-1986	
2008-0218.02.7	Code de Procédure Civile Annoté du Québec, vol.1, 1979	1979	
2008-0218.02.8	Code de Procédure Civile Annoté du Québec, vol.2, 1980	1980	
2008-0218.02.9	Traité Pratique de la Responsabilité Civile	1970	
2008-0218.02.10	Le droit civil de la Province du Québec	1953	
2008-0218.02.11	Statutes of Québec, 44-45 Victoria	1881	
2008-0218.02.12	The Criminal Code, 55-56 Victoria	1892	
2008-0218.02.13	Fulfilling the Promise: Report of the Task Force on Access to information for Print-Disabled Canadians	2000	
2008-0218.02.14	Canada Shipping Act: Report of the Rehearing the Formal Investigation into the Fire Aboard and Abandonment of the Canadian Tanker Hudson Transport in the St. Lawrence River on December 25, 1981	n.d.	
2008-0218.02.15	Civil Code: Report on Evidence	1975	
2008-0218.02.16	Report of the Task Force on Release of Inmates	1972	
2008-0218.02.17	Dissenting Opinions by Mr. Justice Hugessen	n.d.	
2009-0218.03.1	[Certificate of appointment – Judge of Federal Court – Appeal Division]	1998	
2009-0218.03.2	[Certificate of appointment – Judge of Federal Court]	2003	
2009-0218.04.1	[photos of J.K. Hugessen]	n.d.	6 photos
2009-0218.04.2	[photos includes J.K. Hugessen in group views]	n.d.	5 photos from 2008-0218.4.2