

**CORNWALL PUBLIC INQUIRY
RESEARCH RETENTION OPPORTUNITY**

The Cornwall Public Inquiry is proceeding with planned Phase 1 research related to the work of the Inquiry. More information on the Inquiry can also be obtained at www.cornwallinquiry.ca.

Qualified academics and professional researchers are invited to submit an expression of interest in performing one or more of the identified research areas. Responses should be provided no later than **August 10, 2006**, in electronic form, to Colleen.Parrish@jus.gov.on.ca or in paper form to Colleen Parrish, Director of Policy, Cornwall Public Inquiry, 709 Cotton Mill Street, Cornwall, ON, K6H 7K7.

Those responding should indicate their qualifications in respect to the work, general approach to the work, their availability in terms of time and a cost and time estimate, which can include appropriate assumptions on scope of work. Researchers should have no conflict of interest in respect to the work of the Cornwall Public Inquiry.

Those acting in the capacity of Chief Researcher for any given project should be aware that if chosen to undertake this research, they may be required to give a summary of their research in direct examination and be available for cross-examination by parties. Such expert testimony would be the subject of a separate contractual agreement.

To discuss your interest and to obtain further information, please contact Colleen Parrish, Director of Policy, at Colleen.Parrish@jus.gov.on.ca or by call 613.938.2127.

All responses will be acknowledged. The Cornwall Public Inquiry will make its decision to retain researchers based on assessment of several factors: qualifications, time and cost of delivery, and research approach. The lowest quote will not necessarily be chosen.

The Phase 1 research areas are set out below:

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SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF RESEARCH PAPER *	PROCESS ELEMENTS
1. A survey of policies and practices in respect to child welfare/protection/CAS response to complaints of child sexual abuse and complaints by adults of historical childhood sexual abuse where alleged abuser may have continued contact with children.	Draft paper will be circulated to parties. Research will be led (Phase 1) at evidentiary hearing (by calling chief researcher) or the report will be filed. Parties may make submissions on the report and cross-examine researcher who will be available

* All research papers will include an Executive Summary and a list of sources supporting the research. All researchers will be requested not to make normative conclusions.

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<p>A survey of policies and practices to prevent child sexual abuse in relation to facilities or services provided by child welfare/protection/CAS agencies.</p> <p>Evolution of such practices over time (1960 – 2006).</p> <p>Indication of any differences related to community size or urban/rural makeup.</p> <p>Research should include some information on interaction with other institutions and community organizations.</p> <p>Research should include models from other jurisdictions as well as Canadian models.</p>	<p>for cross-examination.</p> <p>Final paper will be posted to the website and published in summarized or complete form in the Inquiry’s papers.</p> <p>Public may make comments on final paper. These comments will be summarized and made available to parties.</p>
<p>2. A survey of policies and practices by government or government agency officials in respect to responses of complaints of child sexual abuse and complaints of historical childhood sexual abuse of young persons in the context of provision of government services to young persons, whether by employees or volunteers.</p> <p>Evolution of such practices and policies over time (1960 – 2006).</p> <p>Research should include models from other jurisdictions.</p> <p>Indication of any differences related to the size of the community where service is provided.</p> <p>Research should include information on management of staff having contact with young people.</p>	<p>Draft paper will be circulated to parties.</p> <p>Research will be led (Phase 1) at evidentiary hearing (by calling chief researcher) or the report will be filed (up to counsel).</p> <p>Parties may make submissions on the report and cross-examine researcher who will be available for cross-examination.</p> <p>Final paper will be posted to the website and published in edited or complete form in the Inquiry’s papers.</p> <p>Public may make comments on final paper. These comments will be summarized and made available to parties.</p>
<p>3. A survey of responses of prosecutorial (Crown Attorney) services in assessment and handling of complaints of child sexual abuse and complaints by adults of historical child sexual abuse.</p> <p>Evolution of such practices and policies over time (1960 – 2006).</p> <p>Research should include any differences related to community size and degree of delegated versus centralized policies and practices.</p> <p>Research should include models from other</p>	<p>Draft paper will be circulated to parties.</p> <p>Research will be led (Phase 1) at evidentiary hearing (by calling chief researcher) or the report will be filed (up to counsel).</p> <p>Parties may make submissions on the report and cross-examine researcher, who will be available for cross-examination.</p> <p>Final paper will be posted to the website and published in edited or complete form in the Inquiry’s papers.</p>

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<p>jurisdictions as well as Canadian models.</p>	<p>Public may make comments on final paper. These comments will be summarized and made available to parties.</p>
<p>4. Survey of policies and practices in respect to response by religious institutions to complaints of child sexual abuse and complaints by adults of historical childhood sexual abuse.</p> <p>Evolution of such practices and standards over time (1960 – 2006).</p> <p>Research should include both responses to complaints regarding persons who are not Church personnel and those who are Church officials, employees and/or volunteers.</p> <p>Research should include practices in respect to religious institution’s personnel who report suspected abuse.</p> <p>Research should include models from other jurisdictions as well as Canadian models.</p>	<p>Draft paper will be circulated to parties. .</p> <p>Research will be led (Phase 1) at evidentiary hearing (by calling chief researcher) or the report will be filed.</p> <p>Parties may make submissions on the report and cross-examine researcher who will be available for cross-examination.</p> <p>Final paper will be posted to the website and published in edited or complete form in the Inquiry’s papers.</p> <p>Public may make comments on final paper. These comments will be summarized and made available to parties.</p>
<p>5. A survey of policies and practices in respect to school boards in response to complaints of child sexual abuse and complaints by adults of historical sexual abuse where the alleged abuser may have continued contact with children.</p> <p>A survey of policies and practices aimed at preventing child sexual abuse in relation to schools or school services.</p> <p>Evolution of such practices over time (1960 - 2006).</p> <p>Research should include both responses to complaints regarding persons who are not affiliated to school and those who are school employees, officials or volunteers.</p> <p>Research should include some information on interaction with other institutions and community agencies.</p> <p>Research should include models from other jurisdictions as well as Canadian models.</p>	<p>Draft paper will be circulated to parties and posted on the website.</p> <p>Research will be led (Phase 1) at evidentiary hearing (by calling Chief Researcher, or the report will be filed).</p> <p>Parties may make submissions on the report and cross-examine researcher who will be available for cross-examination.</p> <p>Final paper will be posted to the website and published in summarized or complete form in the Inquiry’s papers.</p> <p>Public may make comments on final paper. These comments will be summarized and made available to parties.</p>