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**Grey House Publishing Canada announces the 2008 Edition of
*Canadian Parliamentary Guide***

Canadian Parliamentary Guide / Guide parlementaire canadien has been published annually for over 140 years, since before Confederation. This 2008 edition is the first to be published by Grey House Publishing Canada. An indispensable guide to government in Canada, it provides information on both federal and provincial governments and their elected and appointed members. It is largely bilingual, with many records appearing first in English and then in French.

Introducing this first Grey House Canada edition of the *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* is a new 4-color section on the History of Canada. It includes a detailed essay, maps, a timeline, and royal and provincial flags. Following this history, the *Parliamentary Guide* reflects the structure of Canadian government. It begins with chapters on Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Canada's sovereign and head of state, the Royal Family and the Governor General, Her Majesty's representative in Canada.

The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* contains 1,680 biographical sketches. These include members of the **Governor General's Household**, the **Privy Council**, members of Canadian legislatures (**House of Commons** and the **Senate**, provincial and territorial), members of the **Federal Superior Courts** and the senior staff for these institutions. It provides descriptions of each of the institutions, including brief historical information in text and chart format and significant facts (e.g. number of members and their salaries). All Biographies in this edition are current, and presented in the following standard format:

- ❖ **Personal:** Date and place of birth of the individual, education and family information.
- ❖ **Political Career:** Public career of the individual, e.g. service in the House of Commons, Senate or provincial legislatures, as well as service at the municipal level. This section also lists elected positions held in political parties, e.g. National President, Provincial Secretary.
- ❖ **Private Career:** Work history outside politics, including military service, association memberships, publications and volunteer work.
- ❖ **Address:** Legislative and Constituency Office address, as well as home address/email.

The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* covers the results of all federal general elections and by-elections from Confederation to the present, including results of the most recent provincial elections. The General Elections section is divided into two sections, General Elections 1867-2004 and General Election 2006.

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Since the publication of the last edition of the *Canadian Parliamentary Guide*, there has been a federal election as well as elections in all provinces and territories. This edition includes all the latest election results.

- ❖ **General Elections 1867-2004** is arranged alphabetically by province and then alphabetically by riding name. Under each riding name is a riding note containing such information as date of establishment, date of abolition, former divisions, later divisions, etc. This is followed by the year of election, the name of the successful candidate, and the number of votes won. By-election information for each riding follows the general election results.
- ❖ **General Election 2006** contains the preliminary results of the most recent federal general election. Ridings are listed in alphabetical order under province or territory and include all the candidates who ran in each riding, their party affiliation and number of votes won.

Following the election information, the executive and members of the **Parliamentary Press Gallery** are listed and a brief description of the **Library of Parliament** and biographical sketches of its Officers appear. The next 13 chapters cover Provincial and Territorial Legislatures. **Provincial/Territorial** chapters provide political information on the provinces and territories. The provinces are arranged in alphabetical order, from **Alberta to Saskatchewan**, followed by **Northwest Territories, Nunavut** and **Yukon**. Each chapter includes: Statistics, i.e., area, population, date of entry into Confederation, etc.; Description of the Legislative Assembly; List of Cabinet members; List of Constituencies; Lt. Governor Biography; and Members Biographies.

The main body of the book concludes with profiles on Federal Superior Courts that include: **Supreme Court; Federal Court; Federal Court of Appeal; Court Martial Appeal Court; Tax Court of Canada**. Each profile begins with a brief description of the Court, its history, role, and list of judges. All courts except the Court Martial Appeals Court provide biographies of their judges. The Court Martial Appeal Court is made up largely of judges from the Federal Court and other superior courts.

Information in the *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* can be located in several ways:

- ❖ Five Appendices: Table of Precedence; Table of Titles; Abbreviations; Canadian Representatives Abroad; Directory of Legislators
- ❖ Table of Contents lists the page numbers to 31 chapters and 105 subchapters
- ❖ Chapters provide lists of members both alphabetically by name, and alphabetically by constituency
- ❖ Biographies appear in alphabetical order, within each section
- ❖ Name Index at the back of the book lists all individuals in alphabetical order

The *Canadian Parliamentary Guide* is available in print, and by subscription online via Grey House Publishing Canada at www.greyhouse.ca. This established publication has proven to be indispensable for anyone working in or doing business with any aspect of the Canadian Government. It is also an extremely helpful tool for those researching any aspect of Canadian Parliament, and its authority. No other reference source offers a more comprehensive picture of Canada, and Grey House is proud to continue to bring its users this timesaving, valuable information.

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