



News Release

Nunavut Liquor Licensing Board Appointments

IQALUIT, Nunavut (December 5, 2007) – The Honourable Paul Okalik, Minister responsible for the Nunavut Liquor Licensing Board, today announced the appointment of Ms. Nicole Sikma of Rankin Inlet as the Chairperson to the Nunavut Liquor Licensing Board.

Appointed as new Members to the Board are Ms. Jesse Mike of Iqaluit, Mr. Ralph Porter Sr. of Gjoa Haven, and Ms. Leesa Sowdluapik of Pond Inlet. The Minister re-appointed Dr. David Wilman of Iqaluit who was the Chairperson for the Board for the past two years and Mr. Joshua Curley of Arviat. Mr. Jimmy Kilabuk of Iqaluit will also continue to sit as a Member of the Board.

The Liquor Licensing Board is responsible for advising the Minister in relation to matters concerning the *Liquor Act*, making regulations relating to liquor licenses and permits, issuing and renewing liquor licenses, and ensuring that licensees comply with the *Liquor Act* and Regulations.

The Board is composed of people from all walks of life, including hunters, youth, members of the business community, and academics. This creates an environment where a variety of views, backgrounds and skills can be utilized to enhance the board's decision-making process.

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