

## **News Release**

## Premier Welcomes New Minister to Cabinet

**IQALUIT, Nunavut (May 4, 2012) -** Premier Eva Aariak today welcomed Monica Ell to the Nunavut cabinet. Ms. Ell was sworn-in this morning as the eighth member of cabinet at the Nunavut Legislature.

"I am pleased to welcome Ms. Ell to our cabinet," said Premier Aariak. "Ms. Ell brings a wide range of skills and interests to her work, and I am confident that she will provide a new and fresh perspective to our cabinet. On behalf of my colleagues, I welcome Ms. Ell, and I look forward to working together as we continue to implement our Tamapta mandate."

Premier Eva Aariak today announced that Ms. Ell will assume the following portfolios at this time: Human Resources, Status of Women and Homelessness.

Prior to her election to the Legislative Assembly, Ms. Ell served as Director of Programming for the Inuit Broadcasting Corporation. Ms. Ell is a former Director of Economic and Business Development at Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated. She has also served as President of the Nunavut Economic Forum, President of the Baffin Chamber of Commerce, Vice-President of the Atuqtuarvik Corporation and Vice-President of Pauktuutit, the national organization representing Inuit women. Ms. Ell also spent many years in several positions at Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, including on-air personality.

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