



ANNOUNCEMENT

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ALBERTA COURT OF APPEAL WELCOMES JUSTICE THOMAS ROTHWELL TO THE COURT

The Acting Chief Justice Dawn Pentelechuk welcomes Justice Thomas Rothwell to the Court of Appeal of Alberta in Edmonton.

The [announcement](#) by the Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada, the Honourable Sean Fraser, includes the following details and biographical information.

Justice Thomas Rothwell—Background Summary

Justice Rothwell was born in Edmonton. He received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alberta in 1993 and graduated from the University of Alberta Faculty of Law in 1997. He was called to the Alberta Bar in 1999.

Prior to his appointment to the Court of King's Bench of Alberta in 2020, Justice Rothwell served as law clerk to the Honourable Mr. Justice J.C. Major at the Supreme Court of Canada. He then joined the Edmonton firm of Reynolds, Mirth, Richards and Farmer LLP in 1998. In 2004, he accepted a position with Alberta Justice and practised in the areas of Aboriginal, constitutional and health law then held the position of Assistant Deputy Minister, Legal Services Division.

About the Court of Appeal of Alberta

Alberta Court of Appeal is the province's highest court. The Court hears criminal and civil appeals from trial courts, boards and tribunals across Alberta.

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