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## GRAHAM SCOTT'S BIOGRAPHY

As former Deputy Minister of Health, Graham Scott is well-prepared for his new appointment as investigator for Kingston General Hospital.

Scott is president of Graham Scott Strategies Inc. and counsel to McMillan Binch Mendelsohn. He has extensive experience in public policy, governance in the voluntary sector and in the assessment of boards and management teams in both the voluntary and private sectors with a particular emphasis on health care policy and issues.

Scott was born in Nova Scotia and received his law degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1966.

Following two years of law practice in Toronto, Scott served as executive assistant to Robert Stanfield, Leader of the Opposition for Canada. In 1976 he joined the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General and in 1977 he became Assistant Deputy General, Courts Administration and Inspector of Legal Offices. In 1978 Scott became Associate Secretary of the Cabinet and in 1979 Deputy Minister of Environment where he served until late 1981 when he became Deputy Minister of Health.

He joined McMillan Binch Mendelsohn as a partner in January 1984 and was managing partner from 2000 to January 2006.

Scott has extensive experience in representing health and government sector clients in matters of governance and accountability. He has been involved in the amalgamation, restructuring and governance processes of more than 40 hospitals in the last few years.

In 2001-2002, Scott served as interim president and CEO of Cancer Care Ontario. In 2003, he was appointed by the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care as supervisor of the Hôpital régional de Sudbury Regional Hospital. In July 2004, he was appointed by the Chief Medical Officer of Health as assessor of the Muskoka-Parry Sound Board of Health.

Scott serves as board chair of the Canadian Institute for Health Information (CIHI), chair of AllenGen NCE Inc., vice chair of OEB Enterprise and vice chair of the Institute for Research on Public Policy.

He is a former chairman of Organ Donation Ontario and a former chairman of the Public Policy Forum, a non-profit, non-partisan organization dedicated to promoting greater collaboration between the public and private sectors.

In 2005, Scott was appointed as a member of the Order of Canada in recognition of his volunteer service to the community.

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