

Winnipeg Police Board announces retirement of founding executive director

The Winnipeg Police Board announced today that its founding Executive Director, Don Norquay will be retiring effective January 6, 2018.

As Manitoba moved to a new era of civilian oversight of police services in 2013, Mr. Norquay established the Board office and operations, and took the lead in creating the Rules of Practice and Procedure and drafting the Board's initial strategic plan. He managed drafting of some of the Board's first key policies, including Bias-Free Policing and Police Use of Force. Mr. Norquay advised the Board as it prepared its resolution on missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls and was instrumental to establishing the Indigenous Council on Policing and Crime Prevention.

"On behalf of Board members past and present I would like to acknowledge and thank Don for the crucial role that he's played with the Board, and we wish him all the best as he moves on to a new phase of his life" said Board Chair David Asper.

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