

## TWINNING AGREEMENT

**BETWEEN** 

THE COUR DE CASSATION OF FRANCE

**AND** 

THE SUPREME COURT OF CANADA

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## REPRESENTED BY

# THE PREMIER PRÉSIDENT OF THE COUR DE CASSATION

### **AND**

# THE RIGHT HONOURABLE CHIEF JUSTICE OF CANADA

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In view of their common desire to work in the interests of justice, an essential element of the rule of law and the strengthening thereof;

In view of the general principles on which the judicial institutions of their two countries are based, including the rule of law, respect for the Constitution and respect for the human person;

Guided by a common desire to strengthen legal and judicial co-operation between the Cour de Cassation of France and the Supreme Court of Canada, as already demonstrated by initiatives between their various legal institutions; Have agreed as follows:

**Article 1:** The Cour de Cassation of France and the Supreme Court of Canada have decided that they should be twinned in order to structure their co-operation and carry out their respective missions more effectively.

Article 2: This co-operation shall relate to matters within their respective jurisdictions as well as to organizational and procedural matters and the establishment of regular exchanges between members of the Cour de Cassation and judges of the Supreme Court of Canada.

The Premier Président of the Cour de Cassation and the Chief Justice of Canada shall, as soon as possible, develop practical ways of implementing this common desire to act in the interests of justice, including: exchanges between their respective documentation and research units, the organization and co-ordination of exchanges, and internships in each Court.

PIERRE TRUCHE PREMIER PRÉSIDENT OF THE COUR DE CASSATION

ANTONIO LAMER
THE RIGHT HONOURABLE
CHIEF JUSTICE OF CANADA

IN THE PRESENCE OF M. LE PROCUREUR GÉNÉRAL PRÈS LA COUR DE CASSATION.

JEAN-FRANÇOIS BURGELIN