

**THE COMMISSIONERS**



**Roger J. Augustine** is a Micmac born at Eel Ground, New Brunswick, where he served as Chief from 1980 to 1996. He was president of the Union of NB-PEI First Nations from 1988 to January 1994. He is president of Black Eagle Management Enterprises and a member of the Management Board of Eagle Forest Products. He has been honoured for his efforts in founding and fostering both the Eel Ground Drug and Alcohol Education Centre and the Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Rehabilitation Association. In February 1996, Mr Augustine was appointed a director to the National Aboriginal Economic Development Board. In June 1996, he was named Miramichi Achiever of the Year by the Miramichi Regional Development Corporation. He was appointed Commissioner to the Indian Claims Commission in 1992.



**Daniel J. Bellegarde, Co-Chair**, is an Assiniboine/Cree from the Little Black Bear First Nation in southern Saskatchewan. From 1981 to 1984, he worked with the Meadow Lake District Chiefs Joint Venture as a socio-economic planner. From 1984 to 1987, Mr Bellegarde was president of the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies. Since 1988, he has held the position of First Vice-Chief of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations. He was appointed Commissioner, then Co-Chair of the Indian Claims Commission on July 27, 1992, and April 19, 1994, respectively.

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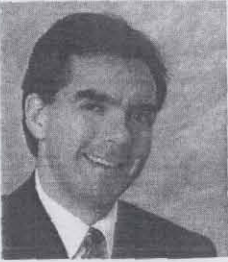
**Carole T. Corcoran** is a Dene from the Fort Nelson Indian Band in northern British Columbia. Mrs Corcoran is a lawyer with extensive experience in Aboriginal government and politics at local, regional, and provincial levels. She has served as a Commissioner on the Royal Commission on Canada's Future in 1990/91, and as Commissioner to the British Columbia Treaty Commission from 1993 to 1995. Mrs Corcoran was appointed as a Commissioner to the Indian Claims Commission in July 1992.



**Aurélien Gill** is a Montagnais from Mashteuiatsh (Pointe-Bleue), Quebec, where he served as Chief for nine years. He has helped found many important Aboriginal organizations, including the Conseil Atikamekw et Montagnais, the Conseil de la Police amérindienne, the Corporation de Développement Économique Montagnaise, and the National Indian Brotherhood (now the Assembly of First Nations). Mr Gill served as Quebec Regional Director in the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, and is a member of the National Aboriginal Economic Development Board. Mr Gill is a member of several boards, including those of the Université du Québec à Chicoutimi and the Northern Engineering Centre at the Université de Montréal. He is a member of the Environmental Management Boards for the federal government and for the Province of Quebec. In 1991 he was named to the Ordre national du Québec. Mr Gill was appointed Commissioner of the Indian Claims Commission on December 8, 1994.

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**P.E. James Prentice, QC, Co-Chair**, is a lawyer with the Calgary law firm Rooney Prentice. He has an extensive background in native land claims, including work as legal counsel and negotiator for the Province of Alberta in the tripartite negotiations that brought about the Sturgeon Lake Indian Claim Settlement of 1989. Mr Prentice is a member of the Canadian Bar Association, and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1992. He was appointed Commissioner, then Co-Chair, of the Indian Claims Commission on July 27, 1992 and April 19, 1994, respectively.