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Hello everyone and welcome to 2016. Attached you will find an announcement regarding the new executive director for MRJC. After eight years I am moving on to the next stage of my career-retirement. It has been a pleasure to work with all of you in collaboration to address the needs of our community.

Susan Logan

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As many of our friends, partners, and stakeholders might already be aware, our current Executive Director, Susan Logan, is retiring. The Mediation and Restorative Justice Centre has benefitted from eight years of steadfast leadership and management from Susan, and she will be deeply missed by all of us here at MRJC.

Following an extensive search that saw dozens of highly qualified applicants from across Canada apply, the Board of Directors is pleased to announce that Brad Odsen, Q.C., has been appointed as the new Executive Director for the Mediation and Restorative Justice Centre, effective immediately.

Brad Odsen, Q.C., Barrister & Solicitor, is a former Registrar under the Alberta *Lobbyists Act* and former General Counsel to the Office of the Alberta Ethics Commissioner. He presently teaches *Introductory Criminology* at MacEwan University in Edmonton.

He attended the University of Saskatchewan, earning a B.A. in Sociology & Philosophy and a J.D.in Law, and serving as the President of the University of Saskatchewan Students Union in 1975/76. He has previously served as Executive Director of Calgary Legal Guidance, Executive Director of the City of Edmonton Landlord and Tenant Advisory Board, and Executive Director and General Counsel of the John Howard Society of Alberta.

Brad practiced law in Calgary and Edmonton for over 20 years, and is a member of both the Law Society of Alberta and the Canadian Bar Association. He has an extensive history of volunteerism in the non-profit sector with human service organizations, community development organizations, arts and culture organizations, sports & recreation organizations, and academic institutions. He received a Premier's Award of Excellence in 2006, and was named Queen's Counsel for the Province of Alberta January 31, 2008.

We are as excited to see Brad move in to this role as we are saddened to see Susan retire, and wish Susan and her partner all the best in their retirement. In the coming weeks and months, Brad will be meeting with all of our stakeholders. If you are in the neighbourhood of MRJC during business hours, please pop by and say hello. If you have any questions or comments regarding this appointment, please feel free to contact the Executive Director Search Committee at edsearch@mrjc.ca.

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