

M.O., 2024**Order 5309 of the Minister of Justice dated November 18, 2024**

Act to create a court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence
(2021, chapter 32)

Judicial districts in which the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is to be gradually established

THE MINISTER OF JUSTICE,

CONSIDERING subparagraph 2 of the second paragraph of section 83.0.1 of the Courts of Justice Act (chapter T-16), introduced by the Act to create a court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence (2021, c. 32), which provides that for the purposes of establishing the specialized court, the Minister of Justice may, by order and after consulting the Court of Québec and the other partners from the justice system that the Minister considers appropriate, determine the judicial districts in which the court is to be gradually established and, as a result, where the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit;

CONSIDERING that it is expedient to gradually determine the judicial districts in which the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is to be established and, as a result, the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit;

CONSIDERING that the Court of Québec and the following partners have been consulted:

- Réseau des Centres d'aide aux victimes d'actes criminels (CAVAC);
- Regroupement québécois des centres d'aide et de lutte contre les agressions à caractère sexuel (RQCALACS);
- Barreau du Québec;
- Associations des avocats de la défense;
- Regroupement des maisons pour femmes victimes de violence conjugale;
- Fédération des maisons d'hébergement pour femmes;
- Alliance des maisons d'hébergement de 2^e étape pour femmes et enfants victimes de violence conjugale;

— Association à cœur d'homme - Réseau d'aide aux hommes pour une société sans violence;

— Concertation des luttes contre l'exploitation sexuelle;

— Association des services de réhabilitation sociale du Québec;

— Femmes Autochtones du Québec;

— Regroupement des organismes québécois pour hommes agressés sexuellement;

— Regroupement des intervenants en matière d'agression sexuelle;

— Association québécoise Plaidoyer-Victimes;

— Ministère de la Sécurité publique;

— Commission des services juridiques;

— Directeur des poursuites criminelles et pénales;

— Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux;

— Secrétariat à la condition féminine;

— Secrétariat aux relations avec les Premières Nations et les Inuit.

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

THAT as of 30 November 2024, the court specialized in sexual violence and domestic violence is established and, as a result, the Division Specialized in Sexual Violence and Domestic Violence may sit in the following districts:

- Alma;
- Beauce;
- Beauharnois;
- Bedford;
- Bonaventure;
- Chicoutimi;
- Drummond;
- Gaspé;
- Kamouraska;

—Laval;
—Mégantic;
—Mingan;
—Montmagny;
—Québec;
—Richelieu;
—Rimouski;
—Saint-François;
—Saint-Hyacinthe;
—Saint-Maurice;
—Trois-Rivières.

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