CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF THE FIRST BOARD OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR RECONCILIATION

The National Council for Reconciliation (the Council) will be a unique not-for-profit organization that is supported by federal legislation to ensure that it will be a permanent, independent, non-political, Indigenous-led organization mandated to advance reconciliation in Canada. The Council will build relationships and partnerships with Indigenous and non-Indigenous organizations across the country to identify opportunities and set its priorities.

Key Requirements

- The board of directors will be comprised of nine to thirteen directors;
- At least two thirds of the board of directors will Indigenous;
- At least two directors will reside in one of the northern territories;
- The board of directors will include, to the extent possible, qualified individuals who are First Nations, Inuit, Métis, non-Indigenous Canadians, Elders, Survivors and their descendants, women, men, and gender diverse people; and
- The board will include representation from various regions in Canada.

Key Considerations in Selecting Directors

- Extensive experience advancing reconciliation efforts in Canada
- Strong existing networks and relationships in the area of reconciliation
- Experience on a national board of directors
- Experience related to the impacts of realities and histories Indigenous People.

Selection will be based on individual merit and the overall composition of the first board.

Eligibility Considerations

- Candidates must be 18 or over
- Candidates must agree to represent the interests of the National Council for Reconciliation and no other organization when serving on the board of directors
- Candidates must not hold political office
- Candidates must be able to dedicate up to 20 days per year for Board meetings, including preparation and travel
- Candidates must be willing to travel within Canada to a minimum of four scheduled board meetings that may each last up to two days
- Candidates must be willing to provide a criminal record check
- Candidates must be willing to provide a bankruptcy and insolvency records check