

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS SECRETARIAT

Appointments Information Form for Submission to the Standing Committee on Government Agencies

Board Name: Ontario Parole Board (Tribunals Ontario)

Position: Member (Part-Time)

Part-time/Full-time: Part-Time

Candidate Name: JOHN MUISE

Candidate Information: Attached

Responsibilities of the Agency, Board, or Commission:

The Ontario Parole Board is dedicated to the process of promoting public safety by making responsible decisions regarding the return of offenders to the community through supervised conditional release (parole and unescorted temporary absences). The Board derives its authority from the federal Corrections and Conditional release Act, the federal Prison and Reformatory Act and the Ontario Ministry of Correctional Services Act and Regulations. The board, responsible to the Minister, provides in-person parole hearings automatically for offenders who are serving sentences six months or longer. Those serving sentences of less than six months or offenders interested in a temporary absence must apply to the parole board in order to receive a hearing. Inmates are eligible for release on parole after having served one-third of their sentence. They may, however, apply for early parole consideration under exceptional or compelling circumstances. A quorum of two board members, reviews all available information on an individual case prior to the in-person hearing. Additionally, the board conducts case reviews, in quorum, and undertakes a wide scope of administrative functions and decisions. The primary goal of the board is to assess an offender's risk to society by reoffending and to help protect society by assisting in the offender's reintegration into the community. The Ontario Parole Board is designated as part of an adjudicative tribunal cluster by regulation made under the Adjudicative Tribunals Accountability, Governance and Appointments Act, 2009.

Public Appointment Application

Applicant

JOHN MUISE

Position

Member (Part-Time)
Ontario Parole Board (Tribunals Ontario)
Attorney General

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Language(s)

English Proficient

Education

Institution	Credentials	Year
North York Board of Education (legacy)	Honours (Grade 13) high school diploma	1970-1974
Ontario Police College	Police Constable Recruit Diploma	1976-1977
University of Toronto	4 undergraduate criminology courses	1982-1986
Toronto Police College/ Canadian Police College-Ottawa	Numerous in-service training courses and modules	1977-2006
Parole Board of Canada	Several in-service training courses and modules	2009- 2014

Employment

Employer	Position/Title	Dates	Responsibilities
Toronto Police Service (TPS)	Police officer- Police Constable through to Detective Sergeant	1976- 2006	Thirty years of exemplary law enforcement service in both uniform and plainclothes. Attaining the rank of Detective Sergeant/Staff Sergeant prior to retirement. Highlights include, but are not limited to, 4 years of undercover drug work that included my purchasing narcotics from corrupt serving police officers resulting in successful criminal charges and removal from the TPS. Founding Detective of the TPS's Street Crime Unit an education/enforcement hybrid tasked with confronting violence in schools, youth crime and the emergence of gang violence. Responsible for creation and direction of TPS police in schools programs and training. Served as a Divisional complaints officer charged with investigating and successfully mediating complaints between citizens and front-line police officers. After extended secondment to the Ontario government (see next section), served as the Manager (Detective Sergeant) of the TPS Homicide Squad's- Major Case Management and Retroactive DNA Sections.

Employer	Position/Title	Dates	Responsibilities
Government of Ontario's Office for Victims of Crime	Director of Special Projects and Communications	11/1998 to 01/2005	As a result of my TPS work combatting violence in schools and the emergence of youth gangs I was recruited/seconded to the Ontario Office for Victims of Crime (OVC), an arms length advisory agency that provided direct advice to the Attorney General, Minister of Public Safety and the Office of the Premier, on a wide range of public safety issues. These included support for crime victims and reform of the criminal justice system in support of enhanced public safety. In addition to interacting with members of Cabinet, I was responsible for a wide range of stakeholder engagement in furtherance of the OVC's mandate. Highlights included working with the JoeMac Committee, a bi-partisan entity that successfully addressed corrections shortcomings. In addition I was successful in obtaining 2 million dollars of start-up funding for the now world renowned TPS child sexual exploitation unit. I was awarded the Queen's Golden Jubilee medal for my work on behalf of crime victims.
Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness (CCAA)	Director of Public Safety	2006-2009	Upon completion of my career at the Toronto Police Service I was recruited by the CCAA (a national charitable NGO dedicated to the eradication of child sexual abuse) to manage their advocacy program to advance legislative and policy reform of the criminal justice system in support of enhanced public safety. I wrote correspondence, appeared in the media- broadcast/radio and print, met with federal Cabinet Ministers and members of their staff, prepared legal briefs and testified on a number of occasions at both House of Commons and Senate Committees regarding a wide variety of public safety legislation. Our work helped drive a variety of public policy and legislative changes that enhanced public safety. A highlight for the CCAA was the change in the age of consent from 14 to 16 years of age. My work and public advocacy at the CCAA coincided with a significant increase in charitable donations and support- essential for an organization that did not accept government funding.
Parole Board of Canada (PBC)- Government of Canada	Full time Board member- Ontario Region	05/2009 to 05/2014	As a result of my advocacy as Director of Public Safety at the CCAA I was asked by Minister's staff to submit my name for consideration. I successfully completed the interview/review stage and soon after was appointed (5 years) to the Ontario Region (Kingston). I adjudicated numerous decisions/hearings both "on paper" and "in person" for offenders (murderers, declared Dangerous Offenders, bank robbers, drug traffickers and sex offenders to name just a few) serving federal sentences. I gained extensive experience applying the principals of administrative law. PBC decisions were subject to legal and judicial oversight at the PBC Appeal Division, Federal Court, Federal Court of Appeal and for an important Constitutional issue, the Supreme Court of Canada. I gained a reputation for my ability to focus file reviews and for my interviewing techniques of what are often very difficult offenders, in addition to having the ability to write quality decisions, often under stringent deadlines.

Community

Organization	Position/Title	Dates Involved	Responsibilities
Abuse Hurts (previously Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness)	Director of Public Safety	2015-present	As per the previous employment at the CCAA (2006-2009), but now in a part-time volunteer capacity.
Canadian Centre for Abuse Awareness (CCAA)	Volunteer	2001-2006	Prior to my employment at the CCAA (2006-2009) I provided support/advice regarding a wide variety of "support for victims issues" that the CCAA confronted during this time period.