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Grand Chief Steven Point appointed to BC First Nations Justice Council

Okanagan syilx Homelands, Westbank BC: The BC First Nations Justice Council (BCFNJC) is honoured to share that Xwē līqwēl tēl, Grand Chief Steven Point has been appointed as a member of Council.

He was appointed to serve a three-year term by the First Nations Leadership Council, which is comprised of the BC Assembly of First Nations, the First Nations Summit, and the Union of BC Indian Chiefs.

As a lawyer and provincial court judge, the first Indigenous lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, and former Chief of Skowkale First Nation, among his numerous other roles, the honourable Steven Point leads an esteemed career, deeply committed to community leadership and Indigenous justice.

In his new role with BCFNJC, Grand Chief Point joins six other [Council members](#) in guiding the organization's work to bring about transformative change to the current justice system and to revitalize First Nations legal structures. He has been assigned the Corrections and Courts portfolios and will also serve as liaison between Council and BCFNJC's Elders and Knowledge Keepers Council.

"This work is difficult and will take time, but it is with the guidance of leaders like Grand Chief Steven Point that we will be successful in making lasting systemic change to the justice system, and fulfill our mandate to reduce the overincarceration of Indigenous people in B.C."

—Hemas Kla-Lee-Lee-Kla, Kory Wilson, Chair of BCFNJC.

About BCFNJC

BCFNJC represents the 204 First Nations in B.C. on justice-related issues and has been entrusted with the mandate to transform the justice system and create better outcomes for Indigenous people. Through the implementation of the [BC First Nations Justice Strategy](#), BCFNJC is working to reform the current justice system and to support the rebuilding of Indigenous legal structures.

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