





## *CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT*

This summary, prepared by the Office of the Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner in August 2007, is intended as a quick reference; the *Act* itself is the final authority.

Public office holders are in a conflict of interest when they exercise an official power, duty or function that provides an opportunity to further their private interests or those of their relatives or friends, or that improperly furthers another person's private interests.

All public office holders must:

- arrange their private affairs to prevent a conflict of interest (section 5);

- abstain from participation in decisions that would involve a conflict of interest (subsection 6.(1)); and

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Acting in a manner that takes improper advantage of one's previous office (section 33);  
Acting for or on behalf of any person or organization in connection with any specific proceeding,