1. Section 9 of the *Public Guardian Act 2014* (the Act) provides that there must be a Public Guardian.
2. Section 10 of the Act provides that the Public Guardian’s role:

* in relation to adults who have impaired capacity for a matter is to protect their rights and interests; and
* in relation to relevant children and children staying at a visitable site is to protect their rights and interests.

1. Section 94 of the Act provides that:

* the Public Guardian is appointed by the Governor in Council on the recommendation of the Minister.
* the Minister may recommend a person for appointment only if the Minister is satisfied the person has demonstrated qualities of leadership, management and innovation in a senior government or private sector role.

1. Section 97 of the Act provides that the Public Guardian may be appointed for a period of no longer than five years.
2. Cabinet endorsed that Ms Shayna Smith be recommended to the Governor in Council for appointment as the Public Guardian for a term of three years commencing on and from the day following Governor in Council approval.
3. *Attachments*:

* Nil.