

## John Pearson

John Pearson has over 38 years of experience in the criminal justice system. Since 2009 he has been a General Counsel in the Crown Law Office Criminal at the Ministry of the Attorney General for Ontario, where he conducts complex trials and appeals and supports the Deputy Minister on the National Steering Committee for Justice Efficiencies and Access to Justice. He is also a Vice Chair of the independent Death Investigation Oversight Council. John is a member of the Steering Committee for the annual National Criminal Justice Symposium. As a consultant to the Organization for Co-Operation and Security in Europe, he has provided advice to prosecution services in Moldova and Armenia. From 1997 to 2009, John was the Director of Crown Operations for Central West Region in Ontario. From 1990 to 1994, he served as Nova Scotia's first statutorily independent Director of Public Prosecutions.