

# **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **FORMER ONTARIO TEENS SUE FOR HANDLING OF SEX ABUSE CASE CANADIAN AUTHORITIES IMPLICATED IN FOREIGN TORTURE SCANDAL**

The Friends of Alex and Paige, with Maître Matthew Reardon of Saint Pierre et Miquelon, the family's chief legal counsel, announce the commencement of litigation against the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), the Niagara Regional Police Service (NRPS), Family and Childrens Services Niagara (FACS), the Childrens Aid Society of Haldimand Norfolk (CASHN), the Attorneys General of Ontario and Canada, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), the Office of the Childrens Lawyer for Ontario (OCL) and others (the "parties").

The claim seeks compensation for (from French legal elements) moral damages, direct financial damages, damages from loss of activities and income, and other damages, costs and other stipulations, caused by the parties' acts of negligence, failure to perform duty of care, violations of basic and understood human rights and dignities, clear violations of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, clear violations of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and other causes.

The claim evidences the subornation of torture, the torture of children and other heinous acts by way of the parties' wanton and willful abuse of power, deliberate misleading of judicial authorities, ignoring reports of sexual abuse made by children and wrongfully corroborating political interference and malicious prosecution.

The parties' deliberate actions, and failures to act where reasonably required to do so, have resulted in severe consequences for the victims, including without limitation abandonment, severe emotional distress, forced relocation, victimization, re-victimization, isolation, public demonization and vilification, and other short- and long-term consequences.

The lawsuit has been filed on behalf of Alexandra, Paige and Clayton Misener of Saint Pierre et Miquelon, France, formerly of St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada. It will be heard in December at the First Circuit Court of France at Saint Pierre, under the Code of French Civil Procedure. Under

French civil law, any of the parties may be held liable for the full amount of the claim regardless of their degree of culpability, even if other parties are disengaged, discharged, settled or dismissed.

The family, through their legal team, is now investigating the role others may have played including news media and social media organizations, French government officials and others. Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Justice Minister David Lametti and other senior government officials have already been made aware of this crisis.

Additional information to follow at a later date, post service.

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#### **About Friends of Alex and Paige**

Friends of Alex and Paige is a group of loyal and dedicated volunteers that operate the Facebook Group Friends of Alex and Paige, operate the website RunningAway.CA, spearhead fundraising and public awareness campaigns, and coordinate activities that support the family.

#### **About Matthew Reardon**

Maître Matthew Reardon is an experienced and highly respected lawyer practicing in the French archipelago of Saint Pierre et Miquelon. He diligently represented the Miseners throughout their ordeal in France and is the family's chief legal counsel for this matter also.

Matthew is the head of the Cabinet Galantry Conseil and served four years at the National Assembly, two as Secretary General to a major party. He is a master of all procedures in all areas of law, with extensive specialization in civil litigation and compensation cases. Matthew is fluent in both French and English.

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