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Press Release

24 January 2017 (Toronto) – **Arbitration Place** is delighted to welcome **J. William Rowley, QC** to its roster of independent arbitrators. Mr. Rowley joins as a Resident Arbitrator in Toronto on 1 February– he will also continue to serve on Arbitration Place’s advisory board, and will maintain his room and practice as an arbitrator at 20 Essex Street Chambers in London.

“I could not be more pleased to have Bill under our roof” said **Kimberley Stewart**, CEO of Arbitration Place. “He has long been one of our greatest supporters, and his decision to put down deeper roots with us in Toronto highlights the ongoing strength and growth of the Canadian arbitration community.”

Between 1996 and 2014, Mr. Rowley served successively as Chairman and Chairman Emeritus of McMillan LLP in Toronto, where he led one of Canada’s top competition law practices as well as its international arbitration practice.

“I am looking forward enormously to joining old friends at Arbitration Place in February” **Rowley** said. “Fifteen years at 20 Essex Street has shown me the value of being able to chat with fellow arbitrators about the sorts of practical issues we face on a daily basis. Arbitration Place is the only Canadian venue that can offer an equivalent ambience and depth to those few London chambers which benefit from a critical mass of international arbitrators.”

Mr. Rowley’s broad experience encompasses all forms of institutional and *ad hoc* arbitrations, with a particular emphasis on complex international disputes. He has chaired or acted as a tribunal member in over 200 arbitrations, and has served as counsel in dozens of other high-profile matters.

“I have known Bill for many years” noted the **Honourable Robert Armstrong**, a Resident Arbitrator at Arbitration Place. “He has a fine legal mind and is recognized as a leading international arbitrator. He is a welcome addition and I look forward to having him down the hall here at Arbitration Place.”

“Bill is a giant in the world of international arbitration” added **Yves Fortier**, a Member Arbitrator at Arbitration Place. “He adds panache to an already very impressive roster.”

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About Arbitration Place – www.arbitrationplace.com

Arbitration Place is a fully integrated arbitration centre located in the heart of Canada’s financial district in downtown Toronto, with a scheduled expansion to Ottawa, Canada’s national capital, in September 2017. Featuring a roster of internationally renowned resident and member arbitrators, Arbitration Place offers an ‘all-encompassing approach’, which includes state-of-the-art hearing and breakout rooms, concierge-level administrative services, an on-site commercial kitchen staffed by a team of chefs, and in-house legal counsel to act as a tribunal secretary.

Arbitration Place hosts an on-site court reporting service offering a full portfolio of reporting, transcription, and videography services, staffed with personnel that have the highest certification standards and years of experience handling arbitral proceedings.