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## Foreword

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Over the past several decades Professor Charles, in his pragmatic and hands-on way, has contributed more than anyone to the various versions of institutional law reform in Nova Scotia. As if that were not enough, this comprehensive historical review will help shape our future. How fitting it is that our new project will blend law reform with the broader goal of enhancing access to justice, since the former is so fundamental to the latter. How equally fitting it is that the dean of law reform in Nova Scotia offers us that important historical context from which we can move forward.

*J. Michael MacDonald  
Chief Justice of Nova Scotia and  
Chief Justice of the Court of Appeal*