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Governmental Ethics

Harper in full-blown fight with ethics commissioner

Wed, March 8, 2006

By Alexander Panetta, CP

Full story: <http://lfpres.ca/newsstand/News/National/2006/03/08/1477728-sun.html>

Former Canadian Ad Exec Pleads Guilty in Sponsorship Scandal Fraud

MONTREAL

A political scandal that has dominated Canadian headlines for years remained on the front pages last week with the guilty plea of ad executive Jean Brault, who admitted to six fraud charges....

Full story: <http://www.gloablethics.org/redir/nl.html?d=3/6/2006&id=03060620511850>

RCMP charge former privacy commissioner with fraud and breach of trust

http://news.yahoo.com/s/cpress/20060315/ca_pr_on_na/radwanski_charged

Politics Ethics

The Meaning of a Vote

A reader from British Columbia responds to last week's news [item](#) about David Emerson, a Canadian member of Parliament who changed party affiliations and joined the new cabinet after his party lost power in recent federal elections:

I would suggest that the deep anger that has been felt by the people of Vancouver-Kingsway is related to the theft of their ballots by an individual whose ethics might be good in business but whose blindness to the meaning of a vote is dangerous in a political situation....

Full story: <http://www.gloablethics.org/redir/nl.html?d=2/27/2006&id=0227061850314>

Canadian MP Switches Parties, Takes Post as Trade Minister

His former party head says move is a 'slap in the face' to voters, vows to propose a law

requiring a new election if an MP wants to change affiliations

Full story: <http://www.globalethics.org/newsline/members/issue.tmpl?articleid=02200621165988>

Interesting as it provides an outside view of the controversy

Canadian PM Opposes Ethics Probe of Party-Switching MP

OTTAWA

Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper has refused to cooperate with an ethics commission probe into the actions of David Emerson, a member of Parliament who changed parties shortly after the recent federal election....

Full story: <http://www.globalethics.org/redirect/nl.html?d=3/13/2006&id=03130620325389>

MAN ACCUSED OF FRAUD WEARS LEG IRONS IN COURT

February 23, 2006—Andrew Lech, who is accused of 85 fraud charges, wore leg irons to his court appearance in London, Ontario. Lech's attorney protested the use of the leg irons, but a prosecutor cited Lech's poor record of cooperating with the civil court, and a "dustup" with arresting officers a year ago as the reason for the leg irons. Lech was charged in connection with an alleged Ponzi scheme. Authorities began probing the investment scheme in July 2003. In the case, investigators traced \$66 million from more than 400 investors.

As Andrew Lech continues to evade Canadian authorities in an \$85-million investment case, a U.S. regulator has concluded the American arm of Lech's operation was a huge Ponzi scheme. In addition, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) has ordered a Lech associate to repay investors with everything he has.

For more: <http://lfpres.ca/newsstand/News/Local/2006/02/23/1457801-sun.html>

Media/Technology Ethics

Federal Judge Gives BlackBerry a Chance to Settle Patent Dispute

RICHMOND, Va.

Millions of U.S. users who retrieve their email through the hand-held devices called BlackBerrys won't have their service shut off yet, although a patent suit against the Canadian firm that offers the service remains in limbo....

Full story: <http://www.globalethics.org/redirect/nl.html?d=2/27/2006&id=02270618553858>

BlackBerry Settles Patent Suit, Preserving U.S. Service

WASHINGTON

The Canadian firm Research In Motion (RIM) reached a settlement with a U.S. patent-holding company late last week to end a lawsuit that had threatened not only the financial stake of the company but the communication lifeline of millions of users of the ubiquitous communication devices called BlackBerrys....

Full story: <http://www.globlethics.org/redir/nl.html?d=3/6/2006&id=03060620505289>

NORTEL REVISES FINANCIALS

March 13, 2006—Nortel Networks announced that it will revise its financial results, which will reduce its revenue by \$396 million. The telecom-equipment maker will revise results for 2003, 2004 and the first nine months of 2005. The company also will adjust financials for times prior to 2003. Nortel said the errors were discovered through contract review and through discussions with independent auditors. The announcement comes a few weeks after Nortel agreed to pay \$2.5 billion to settle lawsuits from an earlier accounting scandal.

Full story http://www.cfo.com/article.cfm/5620512/c_5621196

"Be kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle." Unknown

This is all for now!

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Comme vous le voyez, nous avons besoin de lecteurs francophones pour nous aider \ mieux vous renseigner sur ce qui se publie dans les médias francophones concernant l'éthique!

Les autres sites vous offrent des textes uniquement en anglais. Désolé pour cet inconvénient... Voir ci-haut pour les sommaires...

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