

# ENVIRONMENT RELATED CREDENTIALS OF MINISTERS AND THEIR STAFF IN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

## **Office of the Prime Minister of Canada**

Right Honorable Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

### **Zoe Caron, Senior Policy Advisor**

- Senior Policy Advisor, *Clean Energy Canada* (2015)
- Specialist, *World Wildlife Federation* - Global and Canada (2009-2015)
- Lead climate and energy specialist and WWF-Canada federal policy spokesperson, *World Wildlife Federation* (2010-2012)
- President, *Sierra Club of Canada* (2008-2010)
- Environmental Consultant working in Nova Scotia, Ontario, and Quebec (2008-2009)
- Founding Member, *Canadian Youth Climate Coalition* (2006-2009)
- Project Coordinator, *Sierra Club of Canada* (2005-2007)
- Editor, International Policy, *Energy Action Coalition* (2005-2012)

### **Riley Lange, Digital Content Creator**

- Advisor, Digital Communications, Minister of Environment and Climate Change (2018-2019)

### **Parker Lund, Writer**

- Communications Assistant, Minister of Environment and Climate Change (2017-2018)

### **Sabrina Kim, Issues Advisor**

- Special Assistant to the Minister (2016-2018), Issues Advisor (2018), and Press Secretary (2018-2020), Minister of Environment and Climate Change

### **Harry Orbach-Miller, Special Assistant**

- Board Member, *The Starfish Canada*

### **Kristen Strom, Special Assistant**

- Executive Assistant to the Director of Communications, *Green Party of Canada* (2015)

### **Thi Tran, Issues Management Advisor**

- Former Intern at *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2017)

## Ministry of Agriculture and Agri-Food

Minister Marie-Claude Bibeau

### Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister

- Advanced Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management, Université de Sherbrooke

### Michel-Antoine Renaud, Director of Parliamentary Affairs

- Masters in Environmental Biology, University of Guelph (2006-2008)
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## Ministry of Canadian Heritage

Minister Steven Guilbeault

### Steven Guilbeault, Minister

- Co-Founder and Senior Director, *Équiterre* (2007-present)
- Consultant and Strategic Advisor, *Cycle Capital Management* (2018-present)
- Campaign Manager, *Greenpeace* (1997-2007)
- Named one of the world's top 50 players in sustainable development by French newspaper *Le Monde* in 2009

### Michael Brewster, Director of Parliamentary Affairs

- Ambassador Junior Team Canada, Global Vision, *Green Buildings and Tech* (2013)
- Masters of Environmental Practice, Royal Roads University (2017)
- Bachelors, Environnement naturel et aménagé, Université Laval (2010-2013)
- Recipient of the Bourse pour assister à l'assise sur l'éducation à l'environnement et au développement durable, from L'office Franco-Québécois
- Recipient of the Bourse Réseau Environment

### Maria Browne, Atlantic Desk and Parliamentary Secretary Assistant

- Co-Chair, Climate Change Room, *Model United Nations* (2015-2016)
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## Ministry of Crown Indigenous Relations

Minister Carolyn Bennett

### Vincent Haraldson, Director of Parliamentary Affairs

- Former staffer to Liberal MP David Anderson, Minister of the Environment from 1999-2004
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## Ministry of Digital Government

Minister Joyce Murray

### Joyce Murray, Minister

- Former Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection in British Columbia (2001-2004)
- Attended climate negotiations in Bali and Copenhagen in her position as chair of the Liberal Caucus Committee on Environmental Sustainability (2007-2009)
- Presided over Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (2003-2004)
- Introduced Bill C-606, a traffic ban bill, which was later adapted by the Liberals to form Bill C-48
- Co-founded with her husband Brinkman and Associates Reforestation Ltd. in 1970
- Recipient of a medal from the *Sierra Club* for her work on the environment

### Ryan Budd, Policy Advisor

- Former Web Editor, *David Suzuki Foundation* (Summer 2012)
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## Ministry of Diversity and Inclusion and Youth

Minister Bardish Chagger

### Riley Schnurr, Policy and Regional Advisor

- Research Intern, *WWF Canada* (2018)
  - Survey Auditor, Dalhousie University Office of Sustainability (2018)
  - Masters in Resource and Environmental Management, Dalhousie University (2017-2018)
  - Junior Policy Officer, *Natural Resources Canada* (2014-2016)
  - Workshop Leader/Technical Production, *Burlington Green Youth Network* (2010-2011)
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## Ministry of Economic Development and Official Languages

Minister Melany Joly

### Danica Garner, Policy Advisor

- Former Parliamentary Affairs Intern, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2015)
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## Ministry of Environment and Climate Change

Minister Jonathan Wilkinson

### Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister

- Executive in Residence, *Foresight Cleantech Accelerator Centre* (2014-2015)
- CEO, *BioteQ Environmental Technologies* (2011-2014)
- Senior VP Business Development, *Nexterra Systems Corp.* (2009-2011)
- VP Business Development (1999-2001) and President and CEO (2001-2008), *Questair Technologies*

### Marlo Reynolds, Chief of Staff

- Former Board Member, *Canadian Wind Energy Association* (2013-2015)
- Former VP Market Development, *BluEarth Renewables Inc.* (2012-2015)
- Former Executive Director and Senior Advisor, *Pembina Institute* (2004-2012)

### Clare Demerse, Senior Policy Advisor

- Former Senior Policy Advisor at *Clean Energy Canada* (2014-2017)

### Kyle Harrietha, Director of Parliamentary Affairs

- Program Administrator and Communications Director at *Cumulative Environmental Management Association (CEMA)* (2008-2013)

### Laura Mitchell, Director of Operations

- Senior Advisor, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* under Minister Catherine McKenna (2017-2018)

### Moira Kelly, Press Secretary

- Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies, University of Alberta (2017)

### Raphael Beauchamp, Quebec Regional Advisor and Parliamentary Secretary Assistant

- Former Communications Specialist and Parliamentary Assistant to MP Peter Schiefke, former National Director of *Climate Reality Canada* (2016-2019)

### Jocelyn Lubczuk, Senior Communications Advisor

- Special Assistant: Digital Communications, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2016-2018)
- Communications Officer, *Sustainable Prosperity* (Jan-Feb 2016)
- Communications Officer, *uOttawa Institute of the Environment* (2014-2016)
- Social Media Assistant, *Green Energy Doors Open* (Oct 2015)

### Erin Flanagan, Director of Climate, Energy, and Regulatory Affairs

- Technical and Policy Analyst and Program Director, *Pembina Institute* (2013-2018)

### Jamie MacDonald, Director of Nature Conservation

- Former Director of Regulatory Affairs, Stewardship Ontario and Canadian Stewardship Services Alliance (2011-2015)
- Director of Market Development, *Pulse Energy* (2010-2011)
- Senior Policy Director, Minister of Environment Ontario, John Gerretson (2007-2010)
- Masters of Environmental Studies, Dalhousie University (2001)

**Fiona Simons, Advisor, Policy and Regional Affairs**

- Former Consultant, *Sustainable Prosperity* (2016)

**Joana Sivasankaran, Special Assistant**

- Former Communications Intern, North America Office, *UN Environment* (2018-2019)
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## **Ministry of Families, Children and Social Development**

Minister Ahmed Hussen

**Jessie Pierre, Policy Advisor**

- Coordinator, Events and Activities, *Energy Council of Canada* (2014-2015)
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## **Ministry of Finance**

Minister Bill Morneau

**Bronwen Jervis, Writer**

- Former Communications Advisor and Special Assistant, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2018-2020)
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## **Ministry of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard**

Minister Bernadette Jordan

**Alexis McIntyre, Chief of Staff**

- Manager of Environmental Science and Policy, *Canadian Electricity Association* (2013-2016)
- Program Manager, *Cumulative Environmental Management Association* (2008-2009)

**Marie-Pascale DesRosiers, Director of Communications**

- Press Secretary to the Minister, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2017-2018)
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- Development Intern, *David Suzuki Foundation* (2014-2015)

**Marianne Brisson, Policy Advisor - Quebec**

- Junior Policy Analyst, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2018-2019)
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**Leader of the Government in the House of Commons**

Minister Pablo Rodriguez

**Pablo Rodriguez, Leader**

- CEO, *Ecolomondo* (2011-2014)
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**Ministry of Health**

Minister Patty Hajdu

**Jean-Francois Harvey, Regional Advisor (Quebec)**

- Communications Project Manager, *Montreal Urban Ecology Centre* (2016-2018)
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**Ministry of Indigenous Services**

Minister Marc-Miller

**Mike Burton, Chief of Staff**

- Senior Advisor to the Minister (2018-2019) and Director of Policy and Operations (2019), *Natural Resources Canada*
- Research Assistant, *Alberta Climate Dialogue*, University of Alberta (2013-2015)

**Katherine Koostachin, Senior Policy Advisor**

- Senior Policy Advisor, Indigenous and Regulatory Affairs to Minister Catherine McKenna at *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2017-2019)
- Associate Legal Counsel, Willms and Shier Environmental Lawyers (2010-2014)

**Vanessa Adams, Senior Communications Advisor and Press Secretary**

- Advisor for Quebec and Atlantic Canada and Assistant to Operations, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2017-2018)
  - Responsable Junior, Energie, Environnement et Affaires publiques, Bureau du Quebec à Washington (2016)
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## Ministry of Infrastructure and Communities

Minister Catherine McKenna

**Catherine McKenna, Minister**

- Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (2015-2019)

**Claire Seaborn, Director of Policy and Legal Affairs**

- Senior Advisor to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change (2018-2019)
- Campus Sustainability Coordinator, *UBC Sustainability Office*, University of British Columbia (2007-2010)

**Chantalle Aubertin, Press Secretary**

- Ministerial Aide, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (2018-2019)

**Bruce Cheadle, Director of Issue Management**

- National affairs, energy and environment reporter at the *Canadian Press*

**Edward Rawlinson, Senior Advisor**

- Analyst, Clinton Climate Initiative, *Clinton Foundation* (2008)
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## Ministry of Innovation, Science and Industry

Minister Navdeep Bains

**Mollie Anderson, Communications Advisor**

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- Director of Communications (2016, 2018-2019), Engagement Coordinator (2015-2016), *Canadians for Clean Prosperity*
- National Director, *Put A Price On It Canada* (2018-2019)

**Christopher Caione, Regional Economic Advisor**

- Corporate Strategy and International Business Development at *FVG Energy*, an Italian Renewable energy company
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**Ministry of Intergovernmental Affairs and Deputy Prime Minister**

Minister Chrystia Freeland

**Melissa Bisson, Departmental Coordinator**

- Administrative Assistant, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2015-2016)
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**Ministry of International Development**

Minister Karina Gould

**Louis Bélanger, Director of Communications**

- Former Media Coordinator/Spokesperson at *World Wide Fund for Nature*; worked in *WWF's* European network (2000-2003)
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**Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada**

Attorney General David Lametti

**Nicholas Daube, Director of Policy**

- Director of Policy, Office of the Ontario Minister of Environment and Climate Change (2017)

**Olivier Jarda, Policy Advisor**

- Summer Law Student at *Ecojustice* (2014)
  - Intern at *the Commission for Environmental Cooperation* (2014)
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**Jesse McCormick, Director of Rights Implementation**

- Former Director of Policy and Indigenous Relations at the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (2017-2019)
- Former Director of Indigenous Relations and Regulatory Affairs at the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (2016)
- Founding Board Member, *Justice and Corporate Accountability Project* (2010-Present)

**Emilie Simard, Communications Director**

- Press Secretary, Ministry of Sustainable Development, the Environment and Climate Change, Government of Quebec (2016)

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**Ministry of Labour**

Minister Filomena Tassi

**Jude Welch, Chief of Staff**

- Manager, Policy and Programs, *Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency* (2014-2016)

**Lars Wessman, Director of Communications**

- Associate Executive Director, *Ottawa Rivershed* (2014-2016)
- Communications Coordinator, *Ecology Ottawa* (2013-2014)

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**Ministry of Middle Class Prosperity**

Minister Mona Fortier

**Lucy Hargreaves, Chief of Staff**

- Director of Operations: Minister's Office, *Environment and Climate Change Canada* (2016-2019)
- Senior Policy Advisor: Deputy Minister's Office, Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation & Parks (2007-2009)
- Advisor: Education for Sustainable Development, *OECD-OCDE* (2006-2007)
- Advisor: Education for Sustainable Development, *UNESCO* (2002-2005)
- Policy Analyst, Ontario Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (2001-2002)

## **Ministry of Defence**

Minister Harjit Sajjan

### **Matthew Mitschke, Senior Advisor**

- Chief of Staff to the British Columbia Minister of the Environment (2013-2015)
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## **Ministry of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness**

Minister Bill Blair

### **Zita Astravas, Chief of Staff**

- Worked in Legislative Affairs, Ontario Ministry of Environment (May-October 2011)
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## **Ministry Small Business, Export Promotion and International Trade**

Minister Mary Ng

### **Arthur Lam, Senior Policy Advisor**

- Former Board Member, *Sierra Club* (2012-2013)

### **Lesley Sherban, Director of Operations**

- Former Executive Assistant, Ontario Ministry of Environment (2012-2013)
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## **Treasury Board**

Minister Jean-Yves Duclos

### **Marjorie Michel, Chief of Staff**

- Board Member, *RECYQ-QUEBEC* (2016-2017)
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**Michael Paramathasan, Senior Policy Advisor**

- Consultant for Canadian Energy Markets, *World Trade Group* (2013)
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