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<p>CHAPTER I – CHAPITRE I :</p> <p>Public Prosecution Services Service des poursuites publiques</p>	<p>Readers are referred to the list of Related Documents at the end of this Policy for additional information.</p> <p>Les lecteurs peuvent se référer à la liste des documents connexes notés à la fin de cette politique pour information supplémentaire.</p>	

SPECIFIC DELEGATIONS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

1. Statement of the Policy

As a practical matter, the Crown Prosecutor exercises most of the functions assigned by the *Criminal Code* to the Attorney General. The Attorney General delegates this power to the Crown Prosecutor, but always retains the discretion to direct a particular decision. In some instances the Attorney General delegates his or her power only to a specific individual or individuals. This Policy sets out such specific delegations.

2. Authority to Initiate Particular Proceedings

2.1 Nudity

The Director of Public Prosecutions and the Executive Director of Public Prosecution Services are authorized as counsel instructed by the Attorney General to direct the commencement of proceedings under section 174 of the *Criminal Code*.

2.2 Child Abduction

The Director of Public Prosecutions and the Executive Director of Public Prosecution Services are authorized as counsel instructed by the Attorney General to direct the commencement of proceedings under section 283 of the *Criminal Code*.

2.3 Fear of Certain Offences and Fear of a Serious Personal Injury Offence

The Director of Public Prosecutions and the Executive Director of Public Prosecution Services are authorized as counsel instructed by the Attorney General to direct the commencement of proceedings under sections 810.01 and 810.2 of the *Criminal Code*.

3. Authority to Grant Immunity or Benefits

Only the Attorney General is entitled to grant immunity from prosecution.

The Director of Public Prosecutions is authorized as counsel instructed by the Attorney General to grant benefits and provide prosecutorial consideration, where appropriate, with the exception of immunity from prosecution.

4. Authority to Direct a Stay of Proceedings and a Recommencement of Proceedings

The Director of Public Prosecutions is authorized as counsel instructed by the Attorney General to direct a stay of proceedings and a recommencement of proceedings under section 579 of the *Criminal Code*.

5. Authority to Apply for the Forfeiture of Offence-related Property

The Director of Public Prosecutions is authorized and permitted to direct, following the expiration of the appeal period, that any computers and other electronic devices and their components forfeited as offence-related property under sections 490.1 and 164.2 of the *Criminal Code*, that have not been subject to a destruction order, be disposed of by means other than destruction.

6. Authority to Initiate an Appeal

The Appeals and Education Counsel, or his or her designate, is authorized as counsel instructed by the Attorney General for the purpose of initiating an appeal or an application by the Crown to the Court of Appeal in criminal and quasi-criminal proceedings pursuant to sections 676 and 693 of the *Criminal Code*.

7. Authority to consent

Ordinarily, offences under section 469 of the *Criminal Code* are tried by judge and jury. Section 473 of the *Criminal Code* permits an accused charged with such an offence to be tried by judge alone where the accused and the Attorney General consent to this mode of trial. As an agent of the Attorney General, the Crown Prosecutor may consent to a trial by judge alone on behalf of the Attorney General.

8. Related Documents

Policy 12	Proceeds of Crime and Offence-related Property
Policy 15	Stay of Proceedings and Recommencement of Proceedings
Policy 22	Disclosure
Policy 31	Appeals
Policy 34	Crown Immunity and Public Interest Agreements