

3. CPAB shall agree to provide information reasonably requested by l'Ordre in order to assist l'Ordre to prepare its annual report on the implementation of this Agreement.

SECTION 7 Final provisions

1. The Agreement shall be in effect for five years commencing on the date that it comes into force. The Parties shall agree that, at least eighteen months prior to the expiry of the Agreement, they will consult with each other on the advisability of its renewal, with or without amendments.

2. The Parties shall agree that, despite the termination of this Agreement for whatever cause, they shall remain bound by the obligation of confidentiality and professional secrecy set out herein.

3. The Parties shall consult promptly, at the request of either, concerning any question or difficulty arising as to the interpretation or the application of this Agreement.

4. This Agreement shall come into force after approval by the Government on the date of its second publication in the *Gazette Officielle du Québec*.

5. This Agreement is governed by the laws applicable in Quebec. In the event of a dispute, the courts of the District of Montreal have competent jurisdiction to dispose of the matter.

6. Either Party may, upon a three-month written notice to the other Party, terminate this Agreement, if it is of the opinion that changes made to the rules governing either Party may jeopardize the continued pursuit of the Agreement. Before giving such a notice, a Party must have entered into consultation with the other Party with a view to resolve the concern.

This Agreement is drafted in French and English.

Signed in Montreal, on this
20th day of October, 2023

**For the Ordre des comptables
professionnels agréés du Québec**

GENEVÈVE MOTTARD, CPA
President and Chief Executive
Officer

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Signed in Toronto, on this
24th day of October, 2023

**For The Canadian Public
Accountability Board**

CAROL A. PARADINE, FCPA, FCA
Chief Executive Officer

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 807-2024, 8 May 2024

Public Administration Act
(chapter A-6.01)

Signing of certain acts, documents or writings emanating from the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor

Regulation respecting the signing of certain acts, documents or writings emanating from the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor

WHEREAS, under the second paragraph of section 88 of the Public Administration Act (chapter A-6.01), an act, document or writing is binding on or may be attributed to the chair of the Conseil du trésor only if it is signed by the chair, the secretary, the clerk, a member of the personnel of the Secretariat or the holder of a position, and in the latter two cases, only to the extent determined by the Government;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of section 89 of the Act, the Government may, on the conditions it fixes, allow a signature to be affixed by means of an automatic device or electronic process;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation respecting the signing of certain acts, documents or writings emanating from the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister Responsible for Government Administration and Chair of the Conseil du trésor:

THAT the Regulation respecting the signing of certain acts, documents or writings emanating from the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor, appended to this Order in Council, be made.

DOMINIQUE SAVOIE
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation respecting the signing of certain acts, documents or writings emanating from the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor

Public Administration Act
(chapter A-6.01, s. 88, 2nd par., and s. 89, 1st par.)

DIVISION I GENERAL

1. Subject to other conditions that may be prescribed by the Act, the members of the personnel of the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor or the holders of a position the functions of which are indicated hereafter are authorized, in the exercise of their respective powers, duties and functions, to sign, alone and with the same authority and effect as the chair of the Conseil du trésor the acts, documents and writings listed after their respective position.

The same applies where the acts, documents and writings are signed by a person authorized in writing to perform that duty on an interim or provisional basis, or as a temporary replacement.

2. Hierarchical superiors of the persons referred to in this Regulation are also authorized to sign the acts, documents and writings that those persons are authorized to sign.

DIVISION II SIGNING AUTHORITY OF ASSOCIATE SECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE CONSEIL DU TRÉSOR

3. Associate secretaries and assistant secretaries are authorized, in the exercise of their respective powers, duties and functions, to sign

- (1) supply contracts;
- (2) services contracts, except services contracts for the transportation and handling of goods;
- (3) agreements entered into with other government departments or bodies;
- (4) promises or grants of subsidies; and
- (5) authorizations for out-of-court settlements, with or without consideration, discharges from any personal right, and any act, document or writing relating to those discharges.

4. The associate secretary for public contracts is authorized, in the exercise of the associate secretary's powers, duties and functions, to sign attestations issued to secretaries of selection committees certifying that they have completed the training required.

5. The associate secretary for public contracts is authorized, in the exercise of the associate secretary's respective powers, duties and functions, to sign attestations relating to the commitment to implement an equal opportunity program, issued to a Québec contractor or sub-contractor, pursuant to the provisions of the Regulation respecting certain supply contracts of public bodies (chapter C-65.1, r. 2) or of the Regulation respecting certain service contracts of public bodies (chapter C-65.1, r. 4).

DIVISION III SIGNING AUTHORITY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTORS OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE CONSEIL DU TRÉSOR

6. The administrative director general is authorized, in the exercise of the director general's powers, duties and functions, to sign

- (1) the contracts or other acts referred to in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 5 of section 3;
- (2) insurance contracts;
- (3) services contracts for the transportation and handling of goods;
- (4) contracts of alienation of movable property, subject to the Act respecting the Centre d'acquisitions gouvernementales (chapter C-7.01) and the Règlement sur la disposition des biens meubles excédentaires (chapter C-65.1, r. 7.1);
- (5) construction contracts;
- (6) proposals concerning immovable property and occupancy or immovable property layout agreements entered into with the Société québécoise des infrastructures;
- (7) contracts for the administration of immovables;
- (8) documents relating to the management of a special fund established under an Act;
- (9) declarations required when a debtor's income is seized in the hands of a third person under the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01) or any other Act; and

(10) the retention schedule or a modification to the schedule, accompanied by a copy of the classification plan of its records under sections 3 or 4 of the Regulation respecting retention schedules, transfer, deposit and disposal of public archives (chapter A-21.1, r. 2).

7. The director of material resources is authorized, in the exercise of the director's powers, duties and functions, to sign

(1) supply contracts;

(2) contracts of alienation of movable property, subject to the Act respecting the Centre d'acquisitions gouvernementales (chapter C-7.01) and the Règlement sur la disposition des biens meubles excédentaires (chapter C-65.1, r. 7.1);

(3) construction contracts;

(4) insurance contracts;

(5) services contracts, except

(a) services contracts relating to the hiring of a labour relations negotiator or arbitrator, of an expert witness before the court or of a physician or a dentist in matters of medical assessment and

(b) financial services contracts, banking services contracts or legal services contracts;

(6) agreements entered into with other government departments or bodies;

(7) proposals concerning immovable property and occupancy or immovable property layout agreements entered into with the Société québécoise des infrastructures;

(8) contracts for the administration of immovables;

(9) authorizations for out-of-court settlements, with or without consideration, discharges from any personal right, and any act, document or writing relating to those discharges; and

(10) the retention schedule or a modification to the schedule, accompanied by a copy of the classification plan of its records under sections 3 or 4 of the Regulation respecting retention schedules, transfer, deposit and disposal of public archives (chapter A-21.1, r. 2).

8. The director of financial resources and the director of financial operations are authorized, in the exercise of their respective powers, duties and functions, to sign

(1) supply contracts;

(2) insurance contracts;

(3) services contracts, except

(a) services contracts for the transportation and handling of goods and

(b) services contracts relating to the hiring of a labour relations negotiator or arbitrator, of an expert witness before the court or of a physician or a dentist in matters of medical assessment;

(4) agreements entered into with other government departments or bodies;

(5) documents relating to the management of a special fund established under an Act; and

(6) authorizations for out-of-court settlements, with or without consideration, discharges from any personal right, and any act, document or writing relating to those discharges.

DIVISION IV

SIGNING AUTHORITY OF MEMBERS OF THE PERSONNEL OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE CONSEIL DU TRÉSOR

9. The directors general and the senior directors other than the director referred to in section 6 are authorized, in the exercise of their respective powers, duties and functions, to sign

(1) supply contracts;

(2) services contracts, except

(a) services contracts for the transportation and handling of goods and

(b) financial services contracts and banking services contracts;

(3) agreements entered into with other government departments or bodies; and

(4) authorizations for out-of-court settlements, with or without consideration, discharges from any personal right, and any act, document or writing relating to those discharges.

10. The director of human resources, in the exercise of the director's powers, duties and functions, is authorized to sign, in addition to the contracts or other acts referred to in section 9, the declarations required when a debtor's income is seized in the hands of a third person under the Code of Civil Procedure (chapter C-25.01) or any other Act.

11. Directors other than those referred to in sections 7 and 8, are authorized, in the exercise of their respective powers, duties and functions, to sign

- (1) supply contracts;
- (2) services contracts, except
 - (a) services contracts for the transportation and handling of goods and
 - (b) financial services contracts, banking services contracts or legal services contracts.

12. Assistant directors are authorized, in the exercise of their respective powers, duties and functions, to sign

- (1) supply contracts;
- (2) services contracts, except
 - (a) services contracts for the transportation and handling of goods and
 - (b) financial services contracts, banking services contracts or legal services contracts.

The services contracts entered into must be with non-natural persons. Despite the foregoing, services contracts relating to the hiring of a labour relations negotiator or arbitrator, of an expert witness before the court or of a physician or a dentist in matters of medical assessment may be entered into with natural persons, among others.

13. A member of the personnel who holds a credit card on behalf of the Secretariat of the Conseil du trésor is authorized to sign the documents concerning the acquisition of eligible goods or services within the meaning of the agreement entered into with the credit card issuer up to the maximum amount authorized for each transaction.

DIVISION V SPECIAL CONDITIONS GOVERNING SIGNING

14. The signature of the chair of the Conseil du trésor may be affixed by any information technology-based process.

DIVISION VI FINAL

15. This Regulation replaces the Regulation respecting the signing of certain acts, documents or writings emanating from the secretariat of the Conseil du trésor (chapter A-6.01, r. 7).

16. This Regulation comes into force on the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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Gouvernement du Québec

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Civil Code of Québec

Parental projects involving surrogacy in which the woman who agrees to give birth to the child is domiciled outside Québec

Regulation respecting parental projects involving surrogacy in which the woman who agrees to give birth to the child is domiciled outside Québec

WHEREAS, under the third paragraph of article 541.28 of the Civil Code, the Government may, by regulation, determine other conditions that must be met by the person alone or the spouses who formed a parental project;

WHEREAS, under the first paragraph of article 541.32 of the Civil Code, as enacted by section 20 of the Act to reform family law with regard to filiation and to protect children born as a result of sexual assault and the victims of that assault as well as the rights of surrogates and of children born of a surrogacy project (2023, chapter 13), once the prior authorization has been obtained, the surrogacy agreement, accompanied by the information concerning the profile of the woman or the person who has agreed to give birth to the child and the documents determined by government regulation, must, before being signed, be submitted to the Minister of Health and Social Services for authorization, according to the terms prescribed by such a regulation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), a draft Regulation respecting parental projects involving surrogacy in which the woman who agrees to give birth to the child is domiciled outside Québec was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 14 February 2024 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;