



Louise Otis

Louise Otis, a Canadian citizen, is an active judge, arbitrator and mediator in administrative and commercial matters. She is a Distinguished Fellow of the International Academy of Mediators (IAM). She is a retired Justice of the Quebec Court of Appeals where she spearheaded the introduction of judicial mediation.

She participated in over 3000 judgments in civil, commercial and criminal law. She has conducted over 1000 mediation sessions in commercial and civil law. In 2021, she was appointed on the Panel of conciliators of the International Center for Settlement of Investments (ICSID).

She is the President of the NATO Administrative Tribunals, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and a Deputy Judge of the Administrative Tribunal of the European Organisation for the Exploitation of Meteorological Satellites (EUMETSAT).

Louise Otis regularly participates in international governance and justice reform missions. At the international level, she has been involved in the reform of justice systems in different countries and international organizations (International Monetary Fund, World Bank, the International Finance Corporation and the Global Fund). She was appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General to a 5-member Panel of independent international experts in charge of redesigning the United Nations system of administration of justice.

Louise Otis has created Front Line Justice (FLJ), a system of transitional justice for countries affected by conflicts and/or environmental disasters. The system was implemented in Haiti and Mali in 2012 and 2017 and is disseminated in the Rohingya camps.

Louise Otis is author and co-author of numerous publications and has received several prizes and awards.