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Quebec Court of Appeal update

For Immediate Release

(Kahnawake – 17 Seskéha/August 2026) The Mohawk Council of Kahnawà:ke (MCK) wishes to inform the community of a hearing that took place on August 13, 2026, before a judge of the Quebec Court of Appeal during which Elvin "Jason" Diabo intended to present an Application for Leave to Appeal the Superior Court's [May 26 decision](#).

An Application for Leave to Appeal is a legal proceeding required in specific circumstances where an appellant must first obtain the Court of Appeal's permission before the court can be seized of the matter.

Given the facts of the matter and the nature of the May 2026 judgment, permission of the court was not required for Mr. Diabo to file his appeal. As a result, the judge simply confirmed that the appeal had already been duly filed.

The appeal is still ongoing and the MCK will keep the community informed of further developments.

As part of its ongoing commitment to transparency, the MCK is advising the community of this update in the present matter.

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