

Graeme Leach

Graeme Leach was born in Niagara Falls with mild cerebral palsy. As a youth he lived and attended elementary and secondary school in Port Colborne. His only time living outside of the Region of Niagara was for his undergraduate and then law school studies both at the University of Ottawa. Graduating in 1984 with his law degree, Graeme returned to Niagara first to article and then to practice law in St. Catharines including as a partner in the criminal law firm of Barr, Giannotti and Leach. In 2000, he rejoined the Office of the Crown Attorney for Niagara where he prosecutes all types of criminal charges. His legal interests include Indigenous Criminal Justice issues. He has served as president of both the Lincoln and Welland County Law Associations and as a Director of the Criminal Lawyers Association.

Graeme resides in St. Catharines with his spouse and their three sons. He is a member of St. George's Anglican Parish and has served on several volunteer boards including those of the St. Catharines CYO Minor Hockey Association, the St. Catharines Association for Community Living and Youth Resources Niagara. Graeme joined the Board of the Hotel Dieu Shaver Health and Rehabilitation Centre in 2016.