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**PRESS ADVISORY FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**Thursday October 28, 2021**

**BRAD BLAIR (FORMER OPP DEPUTY COMMISSIONER) TO HAVE  
APPEAL HEARD AT THE COURT OF APPEAL REGARDING THE  
DISMISSAL OF HIS DEFAMATION CLAIM AGAINST PREMIER FORD**

**WHEN: Friday October 29, 2021 at 12:15pm**  
**WHERE: Ontario Court of Appeal via Zoom Hearing**

**This Friday, October 29, 2021**, former Deputy Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police (“OPP”), Brad Blair (“Mr. Blair”), will have his appeal heard by the Ontario Court of Appeal regarding the dismissal of his defamation claim against Premier Ford.

On December 15, 2020, Justice E. Belobaba of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice dismissed Mr. Blair’s defamation claim against Premier Ford because of anti-SLAPP legislation. Mr. Blair will be seeking to have that decision set aside and to be allowed to have his defamation claim proceed to a full hearing before the courts.

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