

Biography:

Janet Henchey is the Director General of the Criminal Legal Operations Section within the Canadian Department of Justice. She has a B.A. from the University of Alberta and a law degree in civil and common law from McGill University. Before joining the Department of Justice in 1990, she worked at the law firms of Borden & Elliott in Toronto and Brennan, Tunney in Ottawa, where she practised primarily in the areas of civil litigation and family law.

For 10 years, Ms. Henchey worked for the Canadian Department of Justice as a federal prosecutor responsible for prosecuting drug offences, tax fraud, immigration fraud and extradition, specializing in appellate advocacy. She was appointed Deputy Director of Federal Prosecutions in the province of British Columbia in 1998 and the Director of Federal Prosecutions for the province of Alberta in 2000.

Beginning in 2003, Ms. Henchey became the General Counsel in the International Assistance Group at Justice Canada, Canada's central authority for extradition and mutual legal assistance in criminal matters. Ms. Henchey has served as the Director General of the International Assistance Group since 2009. She lectures extensively in the area of extradition and mutual legal assistance.