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## **Bulletin for GSO Members at Coast Guard and DND**

In our most recent bulletin we provided an update on the ongoing contract negotiations with the federal treasury board. When those negotiations reached an impasse, the Guild submitted to the Public Service Labour Relations Board (PSLRB) an application for binding arbitration to resolve the dispute. The PSLRB has appointed an arbitration panel consisting of an employer-side nominee Mr. Anthony Boettger, a Guild-side nominee Mr. Joe Herbert and a chairman Mr. Ian Mackenzie.

The research and preparation of the Guild submissions and arguments are well underway. Guild attorneys and staff have spent considerable time already on this undertaking and will be well-prepared prior to the hearing. The arbitration is scheduled to be heard on December 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> in Ottawa.

Now that the parties have exchanged their final packages of demands, these proposals have been posted on the “Bulletins for Members” section of the Guild website.

The Guild will continue to keep you posted on further developments.

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