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# Canada's Top Court Is Considering Offering Mediation. Some Are Wondering: Why?

Interviewed by the National Post, Paul-Erik Veel shares his views on the Supreme Court of Canada's consideration of offering mediation services for cases it declines to hear. Chief Justice Richard Wagner mentioned the idea in a podcast, suggesting that mediation could help resolve disputes in cases that the court doesn't accept, particularly family law matters.

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*"The Supreme Court is there as an institution to resolve broad questions of national importance, not to help solve individual disputes outside of the formal process,"*

*"While mediation may be helpful at many stages, it strikes me as less helpful in cases where leave has been dismissed and a case has hit the end of the road. I'm always interested in the Chief Justice's ideas for the court, but I have some difficulty seeing as how this squares with the role of the institution generally."*

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