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AUTHORITY FOR THE OPERATION OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Authority for the operation of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Nelson is vested in the Society entitled **THE CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS OF NELSON DIOCESE**, CIS(ND), a legal corporation under the British Columbia Societies Act. The Society was registered under this Act in 1957.

The Society is recognized by the Government of British Columbia as "the authority" defined in the provincial Independent School Act of 1989 for the operation of all Nelson Diocesan Catholic Schools. As such, the Society is the employer and is solely responsible for all transactions with the Ministry of Education as represented by the Inspector of Independent Schools. By its Constitution, the Society is legally responsible for directing operations of all Nelson Diocesan Schools.