

# Bearing Witness for First Nations Kids at the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal



**February 23, 2007:** Filing of the complaint with the Canadian Human Rights Commission (CHRC) alleging Canada's inequitable child welfare funding for First Nations and approach to Jordan's Principle was discriminatory.



**September 30, 2008:** CHRC refers the complaint to the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal (CHRT).



The Government of Canada tries to have the case dismissed.



**March 30, 2010:** Federal Court upholds the November 2009 Federal Court decision to stay Canada's application to dismiss the tribunal.



**June 30, 2011:** Federal Court order to allow the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network to broadcast the CHRT hearings.



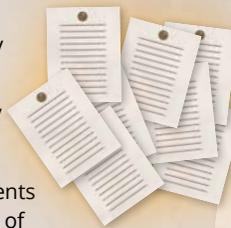
**March 14, 2011:** CHRT dismisses the complaint on a legal technicality.

**April 18, 2012:** Federal Court overturns CHRT dismissal and refers the case back to a differently constituted tribunal.



**February 25, 2013:** The CHRT hearings begin.

**July 3, 2013:** Canada is found to have unlawfully withheld over 90,000 documents. Despite this, the Caring Society and other interested parties submit over 500 documents and 25 people testify, all of which is entered into evidence.



**1<sup>st</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**April 26, 2016:** regarding immediate relief remedies, including the full implementation of Jordan's Principle.



**2<sup>nd</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**September 14, 2016:** The Government of Canada's response to the January 26, 2016 decision and remedial orders is once again found to be insufficient



**January 26, 2016:** CHRT decision finds that Canada is discriminating against First Nations children and their families by failing to provide equitable child welfare funding and failing to properly implement Jordan's Principle.



**3<sup>rd</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**May 26, 2017:** concerning improper implementation of Jordan's Principle.



**4<sup>th</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**November 2, 2017:** concerning Jordan's Principle.



**6<sup>th</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**January 7, 2019:** concerning Canada's failure to disclose 90,000 documents during the legal proceedings prior to the 2016 decision.



**5<sup>th</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**February 1, 2018:** concerning orders specific to First Nations child welfare.

**7<sup>th</sup> Non-compliance Order from the CHRT**  
**February 21, 2019:** concerning interim relief orders for Jordan's Principle (non-status First Nations children in urgent situations will be covered under Jordan's Principle until the evidence has been heard regarding the definition of First Nations).

