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## List of Democracy Watch's 2018 Media Appearances

### Please see listed below links to almost all of Democracy Watch's Media Appearances in 2018

(NOTE: some TV and radio interviews are not in the list because they have not been archived online by the media outlet, and some links may not work if the media outlet has changed the link or the link may require you to subscribe to see the article)

### 718 media appearances in 2018 (including 117 national appearances)

December 29, 2018

<https://www.lapresse.ca/actualites/politique/politique-canadienne/201812/28/01-5209442-geants-du-web-ottawa-quere-presse-de-devoiler-ses-plans.php>

December 17, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/taverner-rescinds-resignation-opp-1.4948896>

December 12, 2018

[https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/12/12/canada-facebook-google-cambridge-analytica-report\\_a\\_23616316/](https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/12/12/canada-facebook-google-cambridge-analytica-report_a_23616316/)

December 12, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/opp-commissioner-ron-tavener-doug-ford-1.4941995>

December 12, 2018 – CTVNews.ca, the National Post, CBC.ca and 56 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/interim-opp-boss-wants-probe-into-hiring-of-ford-family-friend-as-new-commissioner-1.4214528>

December 4, 2018

<https://www.ourwindsor.ca/news-story/9066187-integrity-watchdog-urged-to-probe-taverner-s-appointment-as-opp-commissioner/>

December 4, 2018

<https://www.cp24.com/news/watchdog-calls-for-probe-into-whether-ford-influenced-taverner-hiring-1.4203722>

December 4, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/queenspark/2018/12/04/integrity-watchdog-urged-to-probe-taverners-appointment-as-opp-commissioner.html>

December 4, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/12/04/ford-recuse-appoint-friend-opp-commissioner/>

December 4, 2018

[https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/12/04/doug-ford-denies-helping-ron-taverner-get-appointed-opp-commissioner\\_a\\_23608595/](https://www.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/12/04/doug-ford-denies-helping-ron-taverner-get-appointed-opp-commissioner_a_23608595/)

December 4, 2018 – CTVNews.ca, Globe and Mail, and 17 other media outlets (all reporting Canadian Press wire article)

<https://london.ctvnews.ca/ford-says-he-wasn-t-involved-in-hiring-of-family-friend-as-opp-commissioner-1.4203911>

and

<https://toronto.citynews.ca/2018/12/04/opp-commissioner-posting-changed-during-job-search-minister/>

December 4, 2018

<https://www.thespec.com/opinion-story/9066920-clearing-the-air-on-the-opp-s-new-commissioner/>

December 4, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/opp-commissioner-job-change-1.4931906>

December 4, 2018

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1139772/democracy-watch-enquete-commissaire-ppo>

November 29, 2018

<http://lobbymonitor.ca/2018/11/29/democracy-watch-calls-for-ethics-and-lobbying-investigations-into-liberal-fundraising/16563>

November 21, 2018

<https://www.citynews1130.com/2018/11/21/bc-legislature-investigation-transparency/>

November 21, 2018

<https://www.nationalobserver.com/2018/11/21/news/ontario-proud-claims-great-effect-doug-fords-victory-experts-call-transparency>

November 15, 2018

<http://lobbymonitor.ca/2018/11/15/lobbying-commissioner-b%C3%A9langer%E2%80%99s-appointment-challenged-in-court/16539>

November 14, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/11/14/garneau-to-launch-new-research-hub-dedicated-to-studying-the-entire-air-travel-experience/>

November 9, 2018

<http://vocm.com/news/roughhousing-house-of-assembly-hurting-democratic-process-democracy-watch/>

November 5, 2018

<https://www.thelawyersdaily.ca/articles/7828/advocacy-group-disagrees-with-federal-court-of-appeal-rulings-on-conflict-of-interest>

November 5, 2018

<https://www.lapresse.ca/actualites/politique/201811/05/01-5203024-trudeau-somme-de-sexpliquer-sur-le-mandat-special-de-nicola-di-iorio.php>

October 31, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/vancouver/2018/10/30/bcs-new-lobbyist-laws-need-to-cover-unpaid-influencers-says-democracy-watchdog.html>

October 30, 2018 – mentioned in CBC B.C. Radio Early Edition interview on provincial and municipal political finance law (from 2:13 mark to 2:22 mark)

<https://www.cbc.ca/listen/shows/the-early-edition/episode/15623637>

October 28, 2018

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1132437/formulaires-procuration-erreurs-essex-elections>

October 27, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/windsor/town-of-essex-proxy-papers-mistakes-1.4881013>

October 26, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/business/article-bce-rogers-outline-to-crtc-plans-to-address-misleading-aggressive/>

October 25, 2018

<https://observerextra.com/2018/10/25/feds-making-only-tepid-changes-to-electoral-laws-failing-to-tackle-the-real-issues/>

October 23, 2018

<http://www.rcinet.ca/en/2018/10/23/crtc-canada-abusive-sales-tactics-coalitions-complaints/>

October 23, 2018

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1131556/la-confidentialite-du-vote-de-certains-electeurs-aurait-elle-ete-violee-a-ottawa>

October 23, 2018 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher testifying at CRTC hearing into abusive telecom practices (at 1 hour, 30 min. mark to 2:15 min. mark)

<http://www.cpac.ca/en/programs/cpac-special/episodes/65231389>

October 22, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/new-brunswick/jd-irving-plea-deal-conflict-1.4870885>

October 13, 2018

<https://calgaryherald.com/news/politics/calgarys-olympic-committee-spending-more-than-half-of-meetings-in-private>

October 12, 2018 – CTVNews.ca and 39 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/canadian-designers-regularly-showering-justin-trudeau-and-family-with-gifts-1.4131683>

October 12, 2018

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2018/oct/12/canada-pension-fund-invests-in-us-immigration-detention-firms>

October 5, 2018

<https://capitalcurrent.ca/permanent-residents-ponder-voting-rules-as-ottawas-municipal-election-approaches/>

October 1, 2018 – GlobalNews.ca, CTVNews.ca and 36 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4505189/n-b-election-result-uncertainty/>

and

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/there-are-no-rules-expert-says-no-precedent-for-n-b-election-dispute-1.4116658>

September 28, 2018

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4491774/exclusive-documents-allege-complicity-in-money-laundering-in-major-investigation-of-river-rock-casino/>

September 28, 2018

<https://montrealgazette.com/news/quebec/quebec-election-pq-would-unite-parties-in-minority-government>

September 27, 2018

<https://ottawasun.com/news/local-news/ottawa-votes-municipal-candidate-throws-down-gauntlet-on-campaign-donor-transparency/wcm/b216ab7c-7b43-4a13-aa14-566b2e331233>

September 27, 2018 – 3 Radio Canada interviews (Toronto, Sudbury, Windsor) re: <https://democracywatch.ca/group-calls-on-auditor-general-to-rule-that-conservatives-fake-news-videos-violate-government-advertising-law-if-public-money-spent-promoting-them/>

September 26, 2018

<http://www.lapresse.ca/actualites/politique/politique-canadienne/201809/26/01-5198111-confusion-autour-de-la-non-demission-du-depute-di-iorio-introuvable.php>

September 25, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/i-didn-t-think-he-was-terribly-impressed-with-me-hector-bremner-brushes-off-developer-s-85k-donation-1.4837932>

September 25, 2018

<http://www.lapresse.ca/actualites/politique/politique-canadienne/201809/24/01-5197801-un-depute-demissionnaire-annule-sa-demission.php>

and

<http://www.droit-inc.com/article23369-L-avocat-et-depute-Nicola-Di-Iorio-reste-finalement-aux-Communes>

September 19, 2018 – *Globe and Mail*, GlobalNews.ca and 15 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-creation-of-leaders-debate-commissioner-possible-before-next-election/>

and

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1124971/debats-chefs-federal-organisme-commission-commissaire-independant>

September 19, 2018

<https://newseg.pro/world/6975.html>

September 19, 2018

<http://www.casinoreports.ca/2018/09/20/senate-ethics-officer-can-prevent-conflicts-of-interest-amid-bc-casino-money-laundering-schemes-scandal/>

September 19, 2018

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4465755/ethics-expert-says-rules-could-force-sen-larry-campbell-to-step-down-from-b-c-casino-company-board/>

September 19, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/queenspark/2018/09/19/more-than-23000-sign-petition-calling-on-ford-not-to-overrule-the-charter.html>

September 17, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-opposition-accuses-liberals-of-maintaining-cash-for-access-loopholes/>

September 13, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/queenspark/2018/09/13/with-toronto-waiting-for-bill-31-mpps-will-take-time-off-for-a-plowing-match-heres-what-you-need-to-know-starting-with-the-basics.html>

September 10, 2018

<https://www.facebook.com/CTVNewsChannel/videos/1865455250242452/>

September 7, 2018

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1122556/northeast-npd-parti-saskatchewanais-dons-parti-liberal-canada>

September 2, 2018 – CBC's The National piece on weak whistleblower protection

<http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1311938627585>

September 2, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/delays-in-whistleblower-protection-system-1.4803588>

August 29, 2018

<https://www.qpbriefing.com/2018/08/29/premier-names-family-members-directors-of-his-company/>

August 26, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-premier-fords-government-will-not-release-its-ministers-mandate/?cmpid=rss>

August 25, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/tanya-granic-allen-sex-ed-political-party-ontario-1.4788212>

August 22, 2018

<https://thestarphoenix.com/news/local-news/democracy-advocacy-group-pans-extending-municipal-terms-in-sask>

August 13, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatchewan/conflict-of-interest-commissioner-1.4783337>

August 9, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/dion-ethics-commissioner-conflict-fines-tweets-1.4772804>

August 3, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/ontario-news-now-doug-ford-1.4771017>

August 2, 2018 – CTVNews.ca, GlobeandMail.com, NationalPost.com and 43 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/pc-government-s-media-tactics-draw-ire-of-journalists-opposition-parties-1.4038605>

and French version in Métro Montreal and 5 other French media outlets

<http://journalmetro.com/actualites/national/1707759/les-manieres-du-gouvernement-ford-derangent/>

August 2, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2018/08/02/what-a-reduced-council-could-mean-for-toronto.html>

August 2, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/08/02/the-drilldown-ottawa-raises-carbon-tax-subsidy-for-industrial-emitters/>

August 1, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/capp-ad-campaign-ontario-election-investigation-1.4770066>

and

<https://globalnews.ca/video/4364725/greenpeace-alleges-oil-industry-ad-campaign-violated-ontario-election>

and

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1115875/greenpeace-democracynow-petrole-suncor-exxon-doug-ford?depuisRecherche=true>

August 1, 2018

<https://www.nationalobserver.com/2018/08/01/news/ontario-watchdog-urged-investigate-political-advertising-oilpatch-during-election>

August 1, 2018

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2018/08/01/new-science-policy-good-first-step-scientists-not-fully-off-leash/152845>

July 31, 2018

<https://theyee.ca/Analysis/2018/07/31/Union-Brokered-Deal-Prevent-Vote-Splitting-Vancouver/>

July 30, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/gifts-diplomacy-g7-trudeau-1.4764637>

July 27, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2018/07/30/what-a-reduced-council-could-mean-for-toronto.html>

July 18, 2018

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2018/07/18/sophies-choice-politicos-question-gregoire-trudeaus-involvement-government-activities/151387>

July 17, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/07/17/federal-agriculture-ministers-chief-of-staff-resigns-to-run-in-2019-election/>

July 11, 2018

<https://www.hilltimes-com/2018/07/11/departments-dodging-mp-query-facebook-meetings/150555>

July 11, 2018

<http://lobbymonitor.ca/2018/07/11/ocl%E2%80%99s-b%C3%A9langer-on-litigation-investigations-and-that-static-budget/16352>

July 5, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/investigations/2018/07/05/oil-lobby-targeted-13-ontario-swing-ridings-in-unprecedented-pipeline-campaign.html>

and

<https://www.nationalobserver.com/2018/07/05/investigations/oilpatch-fires-warning-shot-trudeau-liberals-ontario-unprecedented-ground>

July 3, 2018

<https://www.qpbriefing.com/2018/07/03/searching-for-premier-ford/>

June 28, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/prince-edward-island/pei-political-donations-limits-1.4724782>

June 20, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/06/20/minister-urges-social-media-platforms-to-do-better-to-protect-privacy/>

June 20, 2018

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1108116/conflit-interet-examen-interne-extradition-hassan-diab>

June 18, 2018

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/morneau-cleared-by-ethics-commissioner-1.3977996>



June 18, 2018

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/morneau-pension-bill-cleared-1.4710721>

June 18, 2018 – Yahoo.ca, iPolitics.ca and 25 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://ca.finance.yahoo.com/news/ethics-watchdog-says-bill-morneau-153316459.html>

June 18, 2018

<http://www.news1130.com/2018/06/18/tracking-software-mp/>

June 14, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-mps-must-not-tell-media-when-filing-complaints-ethics-commissioner/?cmpid=rss>

June 14, 2018

<http://thechronicleherald.ca/novascotia/1577490-infographic-do-you-know-where-your-mp-is>

June 7, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/kent-hehr-privacy-investigation-report-1.4695676>

June 6, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/facebook-ads-ontario-election-1.4693314>

and

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1105444/publicite-groupes-enregistres-electeurs-ontario>

June 6, 2018 – CBC Ontario Morning interview about declining ballot and helping non-voters to vote

<http://www.cbc.ca/listen/shows/ontario-morning-from-cbc-radio/episode/15549055>

June 6, 2018

<https://www.cp24.com/news/2018-ontario-provincial-election/don-t-like-your-choice-of-candidates-there-s-another-option-at-the-ballot-box-1.3962108>

and

<https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/don-t-like-your-choices-this-election-there-s-another-option-at-the-ballot-box-1.3962190>

June 3, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/ever-wonder-how-often-your-mpp-voted-in-legislature-find-out-here-1.4688560>

and

<https://ici.radio-canada.ca/nouvelle/1104536/vos-candidats-a-lassemblee-legislative-un-regard-sur-leur-participation-aux-votes-depuis-2014>

June 3, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/queenspark/2018/06/03/voter-who-tried-to-decline-ballot-met-with-blank-faces-at-barrie-advanced-polling-station.html>

May 31, 2018 – CBC Metro Morning (Toronto) interview re: declining your ballot

<http://www.cbc.ca/player/play/1245337667553>

May 31, 2018

<https://www.thespec.com/news-story/8638671-for-victory-ndp-needs-young-supporters-to-ride-the-orange-wave-to-election-polls-expert-say/>

May 31, 2018

<http://www.tvanouvelles.ca/2018/05/31/aga-khan-ottawa-a-caviarde-ou-garde-secretes-ses-correspondances-1>

May 31, 2018

<https://onfr.tfo.org/ottawa-plus-delaissent-par-les-chefs-que-2014/>

May 30, 2018

<http://www.985fm.ca/nouvelles/politique/115670>

May 29, 2018 – CBC.ca, Globe and Mail, CTVNews.ca, National Post and 26 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/chretien-ignores-lobbyist-registrar-s-inquiry-stephen-mcneil-meeting-1.4683908>

May 28, 2018

<https://www.orangeville.com/news-story/8635126-here-s-how-to-make-your-electoral-disdain-truly-work/>

May 25, 2018

[https://www.thestar.com/news/city\\_hall/2018/05/25/toronto-hydro-privatization-information-can-stay-secret-watchdog-rules.html](https://www.thestar.com/news/city_hall/2018/05/25/toronto-hydro-privatization-information-can-stay-secret-watchdog-rules.html)

May 25, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/queenspark/2018/05/25/pcs-say-ford-cleared-of-membership-buying-allegations-in-2016.html>

May 25, 2018 – and interview on CTV News Channel

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/advocacy-group-urges-ontario-voters-to-leave-ballots-blank-on-june-7-1.4676788>

May 24, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/vancouver/2018/05/24/kennedy-stewart-promises-to-tighten-conflict-of-interest-lobbying-rules-if-he-becomes-mayor.html>

May 24, 2018

<http://www.lapresse.ca/actualites/politique/politique-canadienne/201805/23/01-5183001-g7-une-rencontre-sur-la-transparence-voilee-de-secret.php>

May 23, 2018

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4225759/ontario-election-decline-to-vote/>

May 20, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-ontario-elections-watchdog-reviewing-pc-candidate-campaigns/>

May 18, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/news/queenspark/2018/05/18/are-the-ontario-tories-muzzling-some-candidates.html>

May 16, 2018

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2018/05/16/ethics-czar-recommends-eliminate-20-per-cent-rule-parliamentarians-observers-say-parameters-established/144046>

May 15, 2018

<https://globalnews.ca/news/4210266/critics-trudeau-liberals-bill-ease-corporate-crime-penalties/>

May 14, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/05/14/lobby-wrap-lucky-fish-dives-into-political-waters-in-bid-to-influence-policymakers-about-iron-deficiency/>

May 10, 2018 – CTV.ca, *Globe and Mail* and 6 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/feds-expect-to-brand-less-than-one-per-cent-of-info-requests-as-vexatious-1.3923374>

and

[https://quebec.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/05/10/reforme-acces-information-federal-inutile\\_a\\_23431581/](https://quebec.huffingtonpost.ca/2018/05/10/reforme-acces-information-federal-inutile_a_23431581/)

May 8, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/calgary/kenney-green-left-unrealistic-domocract-watch-1.4652666>

May 7, 2018

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/letters/article-may-7-too-long-too-costly-political-campaigns-plus-other-letters-to/>

May 6, 2018

<http://ottawacitizen.com/news/national/prior-relationships-between-lobbyists-and-senior-federal-staffers-raises-ethical-questions>

April 30, 2018 – *Globe and Mail*, *National Post*, CTV.ca and one other media outlet (both publishing Canadian Press wire article)  
<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-newfoundland-cabinet-minister-dale-kirby-out-of-caucus-pending-conduct/>

April 30, 2018  
<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/04/30/lobby-wrap-where-is-kevin-chan/>

April 27, 2018  
<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundland-labrador/dale-kirby-whistleblower-eddie-joyce-democracy-watch-1.4636484>

April 26, 2018  
<http://lobbymonitor.ca/2018/04/26/democracy-watch-requests-probe-into-facebooks-lobbying-efforts/16221>

April 24, 2018  
<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-facebook-agrees-to-join-federal-lobbyist-registry/>

April 23, 2018  
<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/04/23/lobby-wrap-facebook-bows-down-to-canadas-lobbying-rules/>

April 23, 2018  
<https://www.thestar.com/vancouver/2018/04/22/watchdog-warns-two-year-lobbying-ban-for-bc-politicians-not-enough.html>

April 23, 2018  
<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/editorials/article-globe-editorial-facebooks-lobbying-claims-deserve-an-investigation/>

April 21, 2018  
<https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/2018/04/21/moonlighting-mps-does-your-representative-in-the-house-of-commons-have-a-second-job.html>

April 20, 2018  
<https://www.desmog.ca/2018/04/20/kinder-morgan-s-canadian-executives-earn-millions-governments-discuss-bailout>

April 19, 2018  
<http://nationalpost.com/news/politics/ontario-conservative-leader-ford-says-he-would-end-subsidies-to-parties-calling-it-political-welfare>

April 19, 2018 – CTVNews.ca and 8 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/facebook-executive-and-ex-liberal-adviser-defends-his-access-to-trudeau-cabinet-1.3892690>

April 19, 2018

<https://ipolitics.ca/2018/04/19/democracy-watch-to-file-lobbying-complaint-about-facebook-exec/>

April 19, 2018

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/facebook-execs-house-of-commons-sorry-1.4626206>

April 19, 2018

<https://www.therecord.com/opinion-story/8403373-d-amato-cambridge-voters-deserve-answers-about-husband-wife-team/>

April 17, 2018

<https://www.thestar.com/vancouver/2018/04/17/conflict-of-interest-complaint-against-vancouver-councillor-has-merit-watchdog.html>

April 17, 2018

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