

25. (1) The Pension Advocates and Commission  
shall have full access to all the records of the  
Department and to all material considered by the Com-  
mission in disposing of any application.

(2) No such reports or material relating to any member of  
the former, pension or applicant for pension, shall be  
disclosed by, nor shall their contents be communicated by  
anyone in the public service to any person other than

(a) the member of the former, pension or applicant for  
pension concerned;

(b) such public servants as may require to inspect them  
or have their contents communicated to them in order  
that they may properly discharge their duties;

(c) such medical officers and other persons, including  
representatives of various service organizations, as  
may be consulted by or on behalf of a commission  
court or by or on behalf of the person whom the  
records or material directly concern; and

(d) such person as may be employed by such last men-  
tioned person to prepare a claim on the behalf before  
the Pension Tribunal or the Pension Appeal Court.

26. The Pension Tribunal shall be charged with the  
duty of hearing and disposing of all applications under this  
Act which may be brought before it as hereinafter pro-  
vided.

27. For the purpose of hearing applications the  
Pension Tribunal shall sit at convenient places throughout  
Canada; the selection of such places, the determination of  
the days for the sittings at each thereof, and the appointment  
of members of the Tribunal to attend thereon, shall be in  
the discretion of the Chairman subject to such rules of  
procedure as may be adopted as hereinafter provided.

28. (1) Two members of the Pension Tribunal sitting  
together shall form a quorum for the purpose of hearing  
and disposing of any application as to the disposition of  
which they are in agreement; any application as to the  
disposition of which there has been an equal division of  
opinion shall be referred before an uneven number of  
members exceeding by at least one the number of members  
who took part in the first hearing.

(2) With the consent of all parties entitled to be heard  
upon any application any application may be heard and  
disposed of by one member of the Tribunal, who shall con-  
stitute a quorum of the Tribunal for the purpose of such  
application.

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records

Confidential  
information

Pension  
Tribunal

Hearing

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one member  
by consent

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