

July 3, 2013

Mr. Eric Foster
MLA
Vernon-Monashee
3209 31st Avenue
Vernon BC V1T 2H2

Dear Mr. Foster:

I am writing in response to your Executive Assistant Ms. Min Sidhu's email received by my Executive Assistant, Mr. Andrew Ives, concerning your constituent, s.22

Ms. Sidhu has forwarded to this ministry a copy of the Legal Services Society of British Columbia's April 18, 2013 letter to s.22 refusing her legal aid, and s.22 May 20, 2013 letter requesting a review of the refusal decision. It appears that s.22 has been awaiting the Legal Services Society's decision regarding her request for a review of the refusal decision. The Legal Services Society (the LSS) is responsible for the administration of legal aid in British Columbia. The LSS is an independent body, and makes its decisions independently of me and my office, so I am not able to intervene in the process.

If s.22 finds that she is ineligible for legal aid, a number of other groups in this province provide free legal services and information. Although this ministry does not endorse or confirm the accuracy or completeness of information or advice provided by any of the following resources, I understand that they are currently available to British Columbians.

Access Pro Bono Society of British Columbia
106 – 873 Beatty Street
Vancouver BC V6B 2M6
Telephone: 604-482-3195
Toll-free in BC: 1-877-762-6664
Facsimile: 604-893-8934
Email: help@accessprobono.ca
Website: www.accessprobono.ca

Clicklaw: www.clicklaw.bc.ca

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The Law Centre
1221 Broad Street
Victoria BC V8W 2A4
Telephone: 250-385-1221
Facsimile: 250-385-1226
Email: reception@thelawcentre.ca
Website: <http://thelawcentre.ca>

UBC Law Students' Legal Advice Program
University of British Columbia
Faculty of Law – Room 158
1822 East Mall
Vancouver BC V6T 1Z1
Telephone: 604-822-5791
Facsimile: 604-822-1661

For those who are unable to find free legal advice, the following service can refer individuals to a lawyer in their area who will meet with them for up to 30 minutes for a fee of \$25 plus applicable taxes.

Lawyer Referral Service
Telephone: 604-687-3221
Toll-free in BC: 1-800-663-1919
Website: www.cba.org/bc/Public_Media/main/lawyer_referral.aspx

In case it may be helpful, I am enclosing a brochure that describes ways of finding legal information and counsel.

If s.22 decides to appear in court without a lawyer, she may wish to read the articles on trial preparation and note-making skills, legal research and resources, and court etiquette, published on the official website of the Provincial Court of British Columbia. This information can be accessed at: www.provincialcourt.bc.ca/downloads/pdf/trialpreparation.pdf.

General information for self-represented litigants is posted on the Supreme Court of British Columbia website at:

www.courts.gov.bc.ca/supreme%5Fcourt/self%2Drepresented%5Flitigants/

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In addition, the LSS provides information services to self-represented litigants, including:

- LawLINK - a website designed to help low-income individuals and their advocates find current, relevant and usable self-help legal information on the Internet. This website contains useful self-help information, including fact sheets to assist with a number of issues; and
- free legal information and self-help publications in plain language to help clients identify, avoid or resolve common legal problems.

For s.22 reference, the LSS maintains a website with links to the legal aid services noted above at: www.lss.bc.ca/.

Thank you and Ms. Sidhu for her email.

Yours very truly,

Original signed by:

Suzanne Anton QC
Attorney General
Minister of Justice

Enclosure

LSBCU/Drafter: Mittag/Approvers: Houston, Moyse (A/ADAG)/sr/AG 402104

Subject: FW: Registrar of Company Names

-----Original Message-----

From: Dalton.MLA, Marc [mailto:Marc.Dalton.MLA@leg.bc.ca]

Sent: Wednesday, July 3, 2013 11:22 AM

To: s.22 Southern, Evan JAG:EX

Cc: Reddy, Brandon LASS:EX; Fedysheh, Carly LASS:EX

Subject: RE: Registrar of Company Names

s.22

I can appreciate your predicament. I am forwarding your email to the Ministry of Justice for consideration and response.

Regards,

Marc

Marc Dalton

Parliamentary Secretary for Independent Schools MLA Maple Ridge - Mission

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Maple Ridge Constituency Office

604.476.4530/877.899.3215

Mission Constituency Office

604-820-6203 / 1 866 370 6203

www.marcdaltonmla.bc.ca

www.twitter.com/MarcDaltonMLA

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22

Sent: June-26-13 1:14 PM

To: Dalton.MLA, Marc

Cc: Paul Schwartz

Subject: Fwd: Registrar of Company Names

Dear MLA Dalton,

I am writing you to request your assistance to a situation that has come forward recently. I am the Owner of s.22
(We have been operating in Maple Ridge for the past s.22 and are commonly known in Maple Ridge to the public
and businesses as s.22

For the past year or so, a company that operated under the name s.22
opened a location in Maple Ridge. They have since applied to the Registrar of Company names for the use and
registration of the name s.22 This permission was granted.

When I became aware of this situation, I directed my lawyer to send out a letter of cease and desist as well as a letter to the
Registrar's office advising of the problem. We have since received a reply from the Registrar citing sections of the Act that
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I am one frustrated business owner. I am seeking your assistance in resolving this matter. On the surface it appears to me that the Registrar failed to perform his or her duties when conducting the original application and that now, rather than making any admissions of error, they are putting up hurdles for me to climb over to have this situation corrected. This, in my opinion, is wrong and as a tax paying corporate citizen of this Province and the District of Maple Ridge for the past s.22 years, I feel I have been let down. Your assistance in resolving this matter would be greatly appreciated.

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Not Responsive

From: Logan, Verna [<mailto:Verna.Logan@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2013 12:56 PM
To: Ives, Andrew JAG:EX
Subject: FW: proposal to reduce some spending by government

Hi Andrew....

Guess who? This is crazy... I have so many JAG issues on the go right now, its crazy!!

This constituent has some suggestions/concerns about the FMEP program. Can you please place it in the queue for response from JAG?

Many thanks... Verna

Verna Logan
Constituency Assistant to Gordon Hogg
MLA Surrey-White Rock
Ph: 604-542-3930

From: s.22
To: Hogg.MLA, Gordon
Subject: Re: proposal to reduce some spending by government

Mr. Hogg,

I am attaching a letter that proposes one small aspect that can help with the reduction of expenses by the government. I trust you will follow up with the appropriate department(s) and that they will seriously consider it.

Thank you for your time and efforts

s.22

Mr. Gordon Hogg,

MLA Surrey/White Rock

Mr. Hogg, we met about 3 years ago and I promised to write the letter I am attaching. I have held back while trying to reason with FMEP, but after many futile attempts, and in light of the recent Government announcement to find plans to reduce expenses, I took this opportunity to write to you as my MLA representative, to offer a suggestion on how the government can reduce some spending associated with the program, Family Maintenance Enforcement Plan (FMEP).

From reading their site, FMEP primary function is "to monitor and enforce maintenance orders and agreements (for either child support or spousal support). Many maintenance payments are paid on time and in full, but some people like having a third party (FMEP) involved to track the payments."

If many payments are paid in full and on time, then I think this is a waste of taxes if they continue to be involved in these specific cases, rather than focus their efforts on those people that abuse the system. Why can we not put in some checks and balances that suggest that should a payer not pay, then FMEP can be engaged, but as long as they have never been in arrears, then the receiver should not have the right to use FMEP. The government can put in a condition that suggest people can register immediately if they want, but FMEP resources will only be activated should a payment or a number of payments be missed. This should offer the receivers of the payments some protection and a speedier way to start an investigation should it be needed. The amount of money spent on postage, time by FMEP staff to administer the payments and process the cheques is a misuse of my tax money as well as the tax money of other tax payers that have nothing to do with this.

I speak from my own experience, I have never been late with my payments in s.22 years. I still receive letters from FMEP to remind me of payments that I need to make and in some occasions, I have received threatening type letters from FMEP because their computer system made an error. This is not a way to treat people, and I end up spending a significant number of hours gathering material, copying them and incurring the additional costs of mailing it to FMEP, to correct their errors. FMEP excuse is that the letters are auto generated by the computer. I'm sorry, but computers are programmed by people, therefore it is a human error not a machine error. Furthermore, after correcting FMEP errors, there is not one word of apology from FMEP staff. As a matter of fact they have indicated to me, they will not apologise for a computer generated error. I call that the height of arrogance. Their going in position seems to be that the receivers are always right and we all know there are always two sides to any story and if there are complaints, their function is to investigate to get to the right conclusion.

I find their policies are intended for those people that do not pay, but they treat the rest of the people that are good law abiding citizens with disdain and with the same arrogance they treat non complying payers.

I support the government efforts to reduce costs where possible and redirect spending to health and education. It is high time the government took steps to cut expenditures where it is not required and spending it on the programs that the Liberal government got elected for. The FMEP "blanket" approach is a reminder of the socialist type governments that are run in-efficiently and that I have no use for and have never voted for.

I welcome the opportunity to sit down and discuss with you if you would allow me to do that to understand what the government intends to do about this misuse of the peoples taxes.

Mr. Hogg, I have withheld writing this letter for almost three years now in the hope that I can reason with the staff at FMEP, but this is a waste of time, and I am forced to go to the next step. And I was pleased to see the announcement from the government for plans to reduce spending. I hope that this is something that can add to that effort, and while it may be a very small token, I think it is worthwhile and I hope that you will follow up on this with the appropriate departments.

Thank you for reading my letter and I trust you will follow up and I hope to hear that this initiative, while small in nature, has been taken seriously.

Regards,

s.22



December 17, 2013

s.22

Dear s.22

Thank you for your letter of August 7, 2013, addressed to Mr. Gordon Hogg, MLA for Surrey-White Rock, regarding your file with the Family Maintenance Enforcement Program (FMEP). Your letter was forwarded to the Honourable Suzanne Anton, Attorney General and Minister of Justice, and I am replying on her behalf.

As you may know, the FMEP is an opt-in program for anyone with a valid support order or agreement filed in a British Columbia court who chooses to enroll. When the paying or receiving parent enrolls, the other parent becomes enrolled automatically. Only recipients on income assistance with the Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation may be subject to mandatory enrolment.

In cases where a payor does not voluntarily comply with his or her order, the FMEP may issue a range of enforcement measures under the *Family Maintenance Enforcement Act* to assist in recovering outstanding maintenance due. However, where a payor pays maintenance on time and in full, the FMEP monitors the order and maintains an account of support paid on behalf of parents. While I understand that you feel enrolment in the FMEP is not necessary in your situation, many parents who choose to enroll and who do pay or receive court-ordered support find the services provided helpful.

I am sorry to hear about your experience with the FMEP regarding past notices you received for payment defaults. I understand that s.22 you were paying a portion of your support directly to the recipient instead of the FMEP. During that time, your file showed arrears owing as the FMEP was unaware that you had given payments directly to the recipient. As a result, default notices were issued to you. However, when you raised concerns about the notices in s.22, I am informed that the FMEP reviewed your file, followed up with the recipient to confirm all unreported payments, adjusted your file to reflect the payments made, and withdrew any enforcement notices issued.

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While I regret any frustration this experience may have caused you, I am pleased that your excellent payment history has been re-established and that since ^{s.22} you have been sending all further support payments to the FMEP. This payment practice allows the program to accurately and promptly record all amounts before it forwards payments to the recipient. This practice also prevents the risk of enforcement notices being unnecessarily issued, which unfortunately occurred in your case.

The FMEP is designed to help all families who choose to enroll and are entitled to receive support. We are mindful that many parents voluntarily comply while others do not. As we continue to seek ways to improve the services provided by the FMEP, your thoughts about the program are appreciated.

Thank you for your commitment to your support obligations and for taking the time to express your views.

Yours sincerely,

for 

Chris Beresford
Director of Maintenance Enforcement

pc: Mr. Gordon Hogg, MLA

Not Responsive

From: Fisher, Cindy L [<mailto:Cindy.Fisher@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 10:03 AM Pacific Standard Time
To: Ives, Andrew JAG:EX
Subject: FW: BC Legal Aid for an Alberta Resident

Andrew, is this something that would be taken care of by your office?

Cindy Fisher
Constituency Assistant
Mike Bernier, MLA - Peace River South
103B, 1100 Alaska Avenue, Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4V8
T: 250.782.3430 | F: 250.782.6454

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From: s.22
Sent: September 18, 2013 8:16 PM

To: Bernier.MLA, Mike
Subject: BC Legal Aid for an Alberta Resident

Mr. Bernier

I am wondering if you can assist me in answering why an Alberta resident | s.22
is able to access BC legal aid representation in court in BC.

s.22 is the respondent in a BC Supreme Court matter that came before the court on s.22
She was represented by s.22 and we have been led to believe he is representing her through
legal aid. This matter was an application by s.22 to seek s.22

At the time this matter came before the court, s.22 advised the BC Supreme court she was s.22
in Alberta. She has now advised a court in Alberta, that she is before in regards to s.22

Since legal aid is a Provincial program funded by public tax dollars and s.22 is a resident of Alberta, why are the
limited resources of our system supporting an out of province person. Yet s.22 is forced to engage in legal battle
to s.22 at the cost of \$350/hour for legal
representation.

I can provide more details if required, but I am looking for an explanation of how the legal aid system that is under
stress to provide services to BC residents can afford to represent another province's resident.

Your assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Regards,

s.22 (home)
(work at s.22

October 11, 2013

s.22
Email: s.22

Dear s.22

Thank you for your email addressed to Mike Bernier, MLA for Peace River South, in which you express your concern that a resident of another province is receiving legal aid in British Columbia. Mr. Bernier forwarded your email to the office of the Attorney General and she has asked me to respond on her behalf.

As you may be aware, the Legal Services Society (LSS) is responsible for delivering legal aid in British Columbia. LSS is an operationally independent organization that determines its own policies and procedures with respect to day-to-day operations and service delivery. Under an Interprovincial/Territorial Reciprocity Agreement, LSS has reciprocal agreements with other Canadian provinces and territories to provide legal representation services to people with family legal issues outside of their resident province or territory. If you would like more information about this agreement, you can contact LSS at 1-604-601-6000 or visit their website at:

www.lss.bc.ca

If you believe that s.22 is incorrectly receiving legal aid, you can make a complaint to LSS. LSS takes each complaint seriously and conducts an investigation to determine its validity. You can make a complaint to LSS in writing by mail, fax, or email to:

Audit & Investigation Department
Legal Services Society
400 – 510 Burrard Street
Vancouver BC V6C 3A8
Fax: 604-682-0979
Email: thirdpartycomplaints@lss.bc.ca

More information about the LSS complaint process is available on its website at:

www.lss.bc.ca/about/complaints.php

Thank you again for writing to express your concerns. I hope the above information is helpful to you.

Sincerely,

Sent via JSB mailbox

James Deitch
Executive Director

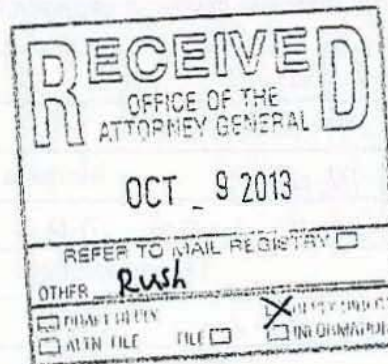
pc: Mike Bernier, MLA

Parliamentary Secretary
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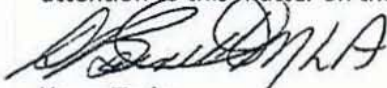
Donna Barnett, MLA

October 3, 2013
Honorable Suzanne Anton
Parliament Buildings
Victoria, BC



Dear Minister Anton,

My constituent has given me authority and asked that I share their plight with you. Thank you for your attention to this matter on their behalf.


Yours Truly,

Donna Barnett, MLA
Cariboo Chilcotin

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October 24, 2013

s.22

Dear s.22

I am writing to you with respect to your legal problem regarding s.22 estate. Ms. Donna Barnett, MLA, forwarded your concerns to the Honourable Suzanne Anton, Attorney General and Minister of Justice. Minister Anton has asked me to respond on her behalf.

From the documents that have been forwarded to the Ministry of Justice, it appears that s.22 made an 'unjust enrichment' claim against s.22 following s.22 death and that a court has ruled in his favour. I sympathize that you are unhappy with this outcome because you feel that the ruling in s.22 unjust enrichment claim means that s.22 will is not being followed. As you may know, decisions in all cases before the courts are under the sole jurisdiction of the judiciary, and it would be inappropriate for the Ministry of Justice to intervene in any aspect of a specific case.

With respect to your request that estate legislation be changed, the ministry is not aware of any legislation that can be changed to address your dissatisfaction with the outcome. Although s.22 claim to the s.22 was made after s.22 death, it is not related to estate legislation. We do not currently have any plans to pass legislation regarding unjust enrichment claims; however, your concerns have been shared with those who work on civil legislation for their consideration.

With respect to your concerns about harassment from s.22 lawyer, the Ministry of Justice is not able to intervene in matters involving the behaviour of lawyers. The Law Society is responsible for setting and enforcing standards of conduct for lawyers under the *Legal Professions Act*. We note that you have appropriately raised your concerns with the Law Society of BC. More information about their authority to investigate complaints can be found on their website at: www.lawsociety.bc.ca/page.cfm?cid=158&t=File-a-complaint

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Thank you for sharing your concerns with the Ministry of Justice. I regret that I cannot be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wendy Jackson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a small dot at the end.

Wendy Jackson
A/Executive Director

Not Responsive

From: Wilkinson.MLA, Andrew
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 4:44 PM
To: Ives, Andrew JAG:EX
Subject: FW: The Family Law Act

Andrew—

Minister Wilkinson has asked me to forward this to your office for our gov't's response. If you could let us know so Min. Wilkinson can respond that would be great.

Best,
- Greg

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Constituency Assistant to
Andrew Wilkinson, MLA
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From: s.22
Sent: August 29, 2013 3:03 PM
To: Wilkinson.MLA, Andrew
Subject: The Family Law Act

Hi Andrew,

I am a trustee of a testamentary trust creating a life interest for s.22 She separated from her husband on s.22 and has commenced divorce proceedings. Her ex-husband is claiming division of the family assets under the new act, and I am astonished to find that a plain reading of the act appears to support the claim for any increase in such a discretionary trust.

I'd like to discuss this with you.

In the meantime I attach a paper by David G Thompson of Thorsteinssons which points out in great detail the serious consequences of such law both as to the discretionary trust beneficiaries and the trustees, including possible income tax liabilities which do not match with asset ownership.

Regards,

s.22

October 17, 2013

Mr. s.22
Email: s.22

Dear s.22

Thank you for your email of August 29, 2013, addressed to Mr. Andrew Wilkinson, MLA for Vancouver-Quilchena, regarding the treatment of trusts under the *Family Law Act*. It has been forwarded to our office for reply.

The interaction between trusts law and division of property on relationship breakdown is complicated. For years, judges struggled with this issue under the previous legislation, the *Family Relations Act*.

The *Family Law Act* includes significant reforms to the division of property, including the treatment of trusts. The Ministry of Justice is aware of concerns about the new provisions that have been raised by trust law lawyers and family law lawyers and is currently examining these concerns to determine whether changes are needed to make the intent of the provisions clearer.

Thank you for writing to advise government of your concerns. They will be considered as part of our review of the provisions.

Sincerely,

Sent via JSB mailbox

Justice Services Branch
Ministry of Justice

pc: Mr. Andrew Wilkinson, MLA

Not Responsive

From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [<mailto:Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2013 8:43 AM
To: Minister, JAG JAG:EX
Subject: FW: Contact MLA Form Submitted From Legislative Assembly Web Site

For your review and response

Thanks Katrina

From: s.22
Sent: October 10, 2013 12:12 AM
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley
Subject: Contact MLA Form Submitted From Legislative Assembly Web Site

Name:

Email:

Message: I am in the U.S. and had a question about whether or not Polygamy is legal in Canada. I have read some articles and have not found a clear and definitive answer. If it is not because of the underage thing, Perhaps this idea would solve it.. "Legal Marriage" would eliminate the entire issue/problem. When anyone goes to get married they have to get a "marriage license" or at least have the I.D's checked to make sure they are "Of Age" and make sure they

consent to the marriage. It would protect those without a voice and the young from bad situations. Legal marriage is the way to solve the issues with Polygamy.. I know if it were MY Sister, I would rather she share a good, kind, decent man than to have a deadbeat, abusive jerk all to herself.

November 8, 2013

Email:

s.22

s.22

Dear

s.22

Your email dated October 10, 2013, addressed to Shirley Bond, MLA for Prince George-Valemount, has been forwarded to this ministry for response. I am responding on behalf of the Honourable Suzanne Anton QC, Attorney General and Minister of Justice.

I note your question regarding whether polygamy is legal in Canada. The constitutionality of the polygamy offence provision was litigated in 2012 as part of a Reference that British Columbia initiated in the province's Supreme Court. The Attorney General's office advanced a position in support of maintaining polygamy as a criminal offence. A favourable ruling was obtained, and as a result, polygamy remains a criminal offence.

I also note your recommendation that people who wish to marry must obtain a marriage licence or have their identification checked to ensure their age or consent to marry. In British Columbia, a licence is presently required in order to marry. In addition, a person under 19 years of age needs the consent of his or her parents to marry, and a person under the age of 16 years requires an order of the court.

If you have specific questions about the legal requirements that are necessary to obtain a marriage licence, you may wish to contact the Vital Statistics Agency under the Ministry of Health. The Vital Statistics Agency can be reached directly, at the following address:

Vital Statistics Agency
PO Box 9657 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria BC V8W 9P3
Telephone: 250-952-2681
Website: www.vs.gov.bc.ca

Thank you for writing to government.

Sincerely,
original signed by:

Geoff Moyse

Acting Assistant Deputy Attorney General

pc: Shirley Bond, MLA

LSBCU/Drafter: Mittag (with wording from CJB)/Approvers: Gow, Moyse
(A/ADAG)/sr/ADAG 404571

Not Responsive

From: Thornthwaite.MLA, Jane
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2013 7:31 PM
To: Ives, Andrew JAG:EX
Subject: FW: Letter sharing experience and asking for any information that I may use to assist me in finding resolve.

Hi Andrew,

Would you be able to tell me if JAG would be able to respond directly to our constituent or if there is anyway that we can provide her with some assistance?

She has s.22 so we need to ensure that we get the appropriate services for her.

Many thanks,

Alysia

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Alysia MacGrotty | Constituency Assistant

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North Vancouver, B.C.

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From: s.22
Sent: October 1, 2013 1:06 PM
To: Thornthwaite.MLA, Jane
Subject: RE: Letter sharing experience and asking for any information that I may use to assist me in finding resolve.

s.22

Thank you.

s.22

From: Thornthwaite.MLA, Jane [<mailto:Jane.Thornthwaite.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: October-01-13 12:51 PM
To: s.22
Subject: RE: Letter sharing experience and asking for any information that I may use to assist me in finding resolve.

Hello,

Thank you for taking the time to write Jane Thornthwaite, MLA for North Vancouver-Seymour. Ms. Thornthwaite receives dozens of messages each day and the letters from constituents are given the highest priority.

Please confirm your home postal mailing address including the **postal code** and MLA Thornthwaite will reply to you as soon as possible.

We look forward to hearing from you in this regard.

Sincerely,

Alysia MacGrotty
Constituency Assistant to
MLA Jane Thornthwaite| North Vancouver - Seymour
Office: [604-983-9852](tel:604-983-9852)
Facsimile: [604-983-9978](tel:604-983-9978)

www.janethornthwaitemla.bc.ca

From: s.22
Sent: September 28, 2013 11:15 PM
To: Eby.MLA, David; Thornthwaite.MLA, Jane
Subject: Letter sharing experience and asking for any information that I may use to assist me in finding resolve.

Hello to you both,

I live in s.22 but have opted to include Mr. Eby simply because of his experience and my respect for his legal work. The letter is rather lengthy and I apologize in advance but I would greatly appreciate any assistance in avenues I may access in order to gain resolve in the matter noted. I have also s.22

Thank you for your time,

Regards,

s.22

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October 22, 2013

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Email: s.22

Dear s.22 :

Your email dated September 28, 2013, received by Jane Thornthwaite, MLA for North Vancouver-Seymour, has been forwarded to this ministry for response. I am responding on behalf of the Attorney General and Minister of Justice.

In your letter s.22 in your email, you raise concerns about s.22 a registered psychologist, and the manner in which the College of Psychologists of British Columbia handled your formal complaint about him. The Attorney General and Minister of Justice has no jurisdiction over psychologists or the College of Psychologists.

On January 1, 2000, the *Health Professions Act* came into effect, designating psychology as a health profession. The Ministry of Health is responsible for the *Health Professions Act*. Therefore, I am forwarding a copy of your email to the Honourable Terry Lake, Minister of Health, for his consideration.

With respect to the legal dispute in which you have been involved, it would not be appropriate for me to comment. I note that you indicate a settlement was reached.

I also note your opinion that perjury is not a deterrent in civil litigation. Perjury is a criminal offence. If you believe that perjury (or any crime) has been committed, you should report your allegations to the police in the community where the alleged criminal wrongdoing occurred. In any instance of alleged or suspected criminal activity, it is the responsibility of the police to determine whether a criminal investigation is warranted.

You mention that you have a lawyer. Your lawyer would be in the best position to advise you of your legal rights and options at this time. The role of the Attorney General and Minister of Justice does not extend to providing legal advice to members of the public.

Thank you for writing to government.

Sincerely,
Original signed by:

Geoff Moyse

Acting Assistant Deputy Attorney General

pc: The Honourable Terry Lake
Jane Thornthwaite, MLA

LSBCU/Drafter: Mittag/Approvers: Falconer, Moyse (A/ADAG)/sr/ADAG 404568

Not Responsive

-----Original Message-----

From: Bond.MLA, Shirley [<mailto:Shirley.Bond.MLA@leg.bc.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2013 12:53 PM
To: Ives, Andrew JAG:EX
Subject: FW: BCH

Thanks for your help Andrew.
Here is the letter we spoke about.
Kind regards,
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-----Original Message-----

From: s.22
Sent: October 25, 2013 2:41 PM
To: Bond.MLA, Shirley
Subject: Re: BCH

On 2013-10-25, at 2:37 PM, s.22 wrote:

> Good Afternoon Ms Bond
>
> Please see attached<NTL letter.doc>

s.22

October 24, 2013

Shirley Bond MLA
1350 5th Ave
Prince George, B.C.
V2L 3L4

Atten: Shirley Bond

Dear Shirley

Re: BC Hydro

s.22

I am contacting you with respect to a significant injustice perpetrated by BC Hydro towards my company, and I am urgently requesting your assistance to resolve our issue.

I think it is necessary to provide you a bit of background on myself, and

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Pages 34 through 35 redacted for the following reasons:

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I will be available to discuss this further at your convenience.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely

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November 7, 2013

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Email: s.22

Dear s.22

Your email dated October 25, 2013, addressed to Shirley Bond, MLA for Prince George-Valemount, has been forwarded to this ministry for response. I am responding on behalf of the Honourable Suzanne Anton QC, Attorney General and Minister of Justice.

I note your concerns regarding BC Hydro. Although I appreciate being made aware of your concerns, the Attorney General and Minister of Justice does not have legislative authority to intervene in the operations or decisions of BC Hydro.

Individuals who believe that they have been treated unfairly by a Crown corporation such as BC Hydro may consider contacting the Office of the Ombudsperson of British Columbia. As an independent Officer of the Legislature, the Ombudsperson has the authority to investigate complaints about the actions and decisions of public agencies. Before considering an investigation, however, I understand that office generally requires that other avenues of complaint and appeal have first been exhausted. You should also be aware that the Ombudsperson does not have authority to investigate or review court proceedings. The Office of the Ombudsperson can be reached at the following address:

Office of the Ombudsperson
2nd Floor – 947 Fort Street
PO Box 9039 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria BC V8W 9A5
Telephone: 250-387-5855
Toll-free: 1-800-567-3247

Information about the role of the Ombudsperson is also available at the following website: www.ombudsman.bc.ca.

I understand from your letter that this matter is presently before the court. It is not generally appropriate for the Attorney General and Minister of Justice to comment on matters that are before the court. It is the role of the judiciary to make decisions in legal disputes brought before the courts.

You mention that you have a lawyer. Your lawyer would be in the best position to advise you of your legal rights and options at this time.

Thank you for writing to government.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:

Geoff Moyse

Acting Assistant Deputy Attorney General

pc: Shirley Bond, MLA

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From: Kylo, Greg
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2013 12:29 AM
To: Southern, Evan JAG:EX
Cc: Cowan, Holly LASS:EX
Subject: Fwd: Roadside Injustice

Hi Evan

Just a heads up in case you haven't seen the article below:

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<http://www.vancouverSun.com/news/need+sober+reflection/9057184/story.html#ixzz2ilaCuL7o>

Would appreciate any assistance you can provide in formulating a response to the letter below from s.22

Many thanks

Greg

Greg.

Greg J. Kylo
Parliamentary Secretary
BC Jobs Plan
M.L.A - Shuswap

Begin forwarded message:

From: s.22
Sent: October 20, 2013 2:47 PM
To: Kylo.MLA, Greg
Cc: imulgrew@vancouversun.com
Subject: Roadside Injustice

Mr. Greg Kylo

202A – 371 Alexander Street NE
Salmon Arm, BC
V1E 4N7

Email: greg.kylo.mla@leg.bc.ca

Dear Mr. Kylo,

Is it time for the citizens of Canada to rethink the power and authority we entrust to the RCMP? The most recent example of the abuse of authority is highlighted in the article by Ian Mulgrew, Vancouver Sun on October 19, 2013

The article states "*The B.C. superintendent of motor vehicles says he was unable to correct the wrongful punishment of a pensioner for drunk driving - even though the man was only a passenger in a car driven by his stone-cold sober grandson. The man did not file an appeal under the provisions of the controversial legislation that came into effect in 2010.*

*Yet the superintendent admits that none of what has happened to
of Salmon Arm was sanctioned by law.*"

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s.22 car was held for a month, which cost \$800 in towing and storage, his licence was suspended for 90 days.

<http://www.vancouversun.com/news/need+sober+reflection/9057184/story.html#ixzz2ilaCu>

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I am sympathetic to s.22 plight. It is not right, it is not fair, nor just. The fact that there is nothing that can be done to correct this error makes it increasingly egregious. Who holds RCMP officers accountable when they make an error in the administrations of their duties such as this case?

I sympathize with the job the RCMP face every day. The majority of the RCMP members do their jobs admirably. However this example highlights the question of whether or not as a society do we want to entrust the RCMP who once discharged from a mere six months of training, to administer such roadside sentencing? After this example I question if we are sacrificing due process for expediency.

The recent examples of Robert Dziekański's death where the RCMP were found in court they misrepresented their actions to investigators. Constable Geoff Mantler kicked a defenceless Buddy Tavares and fabricated a story to justify his actions. Fortunately video tapes revealed the truth and held these officers accountable. Who holds this officer accountable?

Things have changed in the RCMP. Evidence is mounting that the public needs due process as the RCMP is proving they fallible. This example illustrates we need to keep the reigns of power in check. This example shows that roadside justice is a failed experiment and we need to reintroduce due process to protect the rights and freedoms of Canadians.

Sincerely

s.22

CC:

imulgrew@vancouver.sun.com

Salmon Arm Observer

editorial@lakeshorennews.bc.ca

Armstrong Advertiser



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Reference No. 497027

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Dear s.22

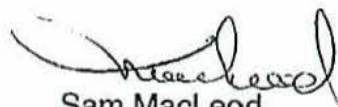
I am responding to your October 20, 2013 e-mail addressed to Parliamentary Secretary Greg Kylo, regarding an Immediate Roadside Prohibition (IRP) issued to s.22

Due to privacy legislation, I am unable to discuss the specifics of s.22 case with you; however I can provide some information regarding the IRP program and the review process for drivers who feel they have been wrongfully issued an IRP.

IRPs are issued at the discretion of the peace officer at roadside, and it is possible for officers to err when issuing them. As a result, my office administers a review process for IRPs. This process allows drivers to seek review on a number of different grounds which are set out in the *Motor Vehicle Act*. Drivers are specifically able to seek review on the basis that they were not the driver, or in care or control of the motor vehicle.

Thank you for writing

Yours sincerely,


Sam MacLeod
Superintendent

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July 26, 2013

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Dear

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I apologize for the amount of time it has taken me to reply to your request in late May, 2013, to contact the Office of the Superintendent of Motor Vehicles regarding the charges you incurred as a result of an Impaired Driving Review. New Ministerial and staff assignments in Victoria often delay a prompt response to our enquiries on your behalf.

I can understand your frustration at having to pay for a service that you did not receive, specifically the Driver Education Program.

My office contacted the Ministry of Justice. The Superintendent of Motor Vehicles is one of the Honourable Suzanne Anton's responsibilities; she is Attorney General and Minister of Justice.

The Superintendent's office was very firm in their reply that your requirement to complete, *"the remedial programs has been terminated, the Superintendent is not paying refunds or compensating people for the fees paid or portions of the program completed to date. These referrals to remedial programs were made in good faith based on a serious impaired driving prohibition(s). s.22 has paid, registered and started his Responsible Driver Program and he may continue with the Responsible Driver Program he has paid for. He is just no longer required to complete the program as a condition of getting his driver's licence back."*

A Director at the Superintendent's Office also wrote the following in response to our queries on your behalf: *"I can confirm that the \$500 Immediate Roadside Prohibition fine and \$250 licence re-instatement fee were both valid outstanding fines/fees owed to the Province."*

It is my understanding the Superintendent's Office has the final say in these matters. I am however, copying the Justice Minister on this letter so that she may be informed of your unfortunate circumstances. I regret that I am not in a position to change the laws governing the fee structure or refund policy.

Yours truly,



Ralph Sultan, MLA
West Vancouver-Capilano

cc: Honourable Suzanne Anton

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Laurie Throness, M.L.A.
Chilliwack-Hope

October 10, 2013

Hon. Suzanne Anton
#201-2607 East 49th Ave
Vancouver, BC
V5S 1J9

Suzanne
Dear Minister Anton,

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Re: Flood Protection Program Funding Application - Village of Harrison Hot Springs

I want to bring to your attention the above application for flood control works from the Village of Harrison Hot Springs, in my riding. For your convenience, I attach the Expression of Interest document which outlines the works to be done.

The competition for infrastructure funding closes on October 11, and Harrison has met all technical requirements, including a pledge to contribute one third of the costs of the project.

The flood pump protects the entire Village on an annual basis, given that the Miami River would be flooded every year without it. It protects well over \$300 million in land and buildings, not to mention the future value of this popular tourist destination, and the value of the community itself.

I have toured the existing pump station which consists of an ancient and inefficient machine, housed in an inadequate shed. Environmental and aquatic species protection are also inadequate.

I can attest that this project is long overdue, and that repairs are both urgent and necessary. I want to lend my keen support to its early approval. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to ensure that it goes ahead.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

Laurie Throness
Laurie Throness

cc: Village of Harrison Hot Springs

November 21, 2013

Mr. Laurie Throness, MLA
Chilliwack-Hope
10 – 7300 Vedder Road
Chilliwack BC V2R 4G6

Dear Mr. Throness:

I am responding to your letter, received in my office on October 15, 2013, regarding support for the Village of Harrison Hot Springs' application to the Flood Protection Program (FPP) for funding to upgrade the Miami River Dike Pump Station.

As you may be aware, the FPP is the only provincial funding program available to local governments for permanent flood protection works. Access to the cost shared program is application based, typically over-subscribed and highly competitive.

I understand that the Village of Harrison Hot Springs has completed an application for funding under the most recent FPP application intake and that the information supplied by the proponent is thorough and up to date.

All applications are currently being evaluated by staff. The established approvals process requires review and recommendations by two separate committees of representatives from the provincial and federal government, and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities. All successful applicants will be notified prior to the start of the new fiscal year (April 1, 2014).

Thank you for writing.

Yours very truly,

Original signed by

Suzanne Anton QC
Attorney General
Minister of Justice

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