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Final statement and messaging

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Hi all – here is the final statement the AG has put out and the associated messaging.

Occupy Vancouver and Robson Court House

"I understand that members of the Occupy movement have relocated to the courthouse at Robson Square. I have asked our ministry legal counsel to do the work necessary tonight to prepare an application for an injunction to present to the courts in the morning. It is essential that we ensure the public has access to the courts. I am also very concerned that by restabilising their camp within close proximity of the Vancouver Art Gallery, these members of Occupy Vancouver are acting in defiance of the spirit of the original order that the court issued on Friday."

Our courthouses are for all the citizens of British Columbia and access to the courts should not be impeded.

The courts last week issued an injunction to remove protesters from the Vancouver Art Gallery. I don't think the public accept that it is ok for those people to just pack up and move a block down the road.

Public access to the courts is a fundamentally important principle and the public should not be prevented from accessing the courts.

Right now lawyers with the Attorney General's ministry are looking at options for asking the court tomorrow to issue and injunction to ensure the public access to the courts.

Now, it's time for the protestors to go home and let the public go about their lives and business.

I have instructed ministry lawyers to apply to B.C. Supreme Court tomorrow for an injunction to prevent protesters from impeding public access to the courthouse and from occupying courthouse property.

In the meantime, sheriffs will continue to secure the inside of the court buildings to ensure the safety of court users.

We will also continue to monitor the situation and will liaise with Vancouver police to ensure safety of the public and court users.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

IN THE MATTER OF INTERFERENCE WITH ACCESS TO OR OPERATION OF THE COURTS OF JUSTICE

ORDER MADE AFTER APPLICATION

BEFORE THE HONOURABLE ASSOCIATE)	Tuesday, the 22 nd day
CHIEF JUSTICE MACKENZIE)	
)	of November, 2011

ON THE APPLICATION of the Attorney General of British Columbia, without notice, coming for hearing at 800 Smithe Street, Vancouver BC, on November 22, 2011, and on hearing Craig Jones, counsel for the Attorney General of British Columbia;

THIS COURT ORDERS THAT

- 2. All employees or agents of Court Services Branch, Ministry of Attorney General are hereby authorized to remove all structures, tents, shelters, objects and things constructed, maintained or placed that are located on the grounds of the Robson Square Courthouse Complex or the Vancouver Law Courts that remain after the time set out in para. 1 above;

- 3. All persons having notice of this Order are restrained and an injunction is hereby granted restraining them until further Order from:
 - (a) gathering, congregating, protesting, or engaging in any activities whatsoever which restrict or limit access of all persons to the Courts and their precincts or otherwise interfere with the operations of any Court of Justice in the province;
 - (b) erecting, placing, or maintaining any unauthorized structure, tent, shelter or object on the property of the Province of British Columbia used in connection with Law Courts of the Provincial, Supreme, or Appeal Courts of British Columbia or within the precincts of the said Courts; or
 - transferring to or erecting, placing, or maintaining any unauthorized structure, tent, shelter or object on any federal, provincial or municipal public lands within the boundaries of the City of Vancouver without further Order of this Court, except as permitted by law.
- 4. Any member of the Vancouver Police Department, a municipal police force, the R.C.M.P., or Sheriff Services is hereby authorized to arrest and remove from the Courts and their precincts any person who that peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe has had notice of this Order and has not complied with it.
- 5. Notice of this Order may be given by delivering it to a person or by posting this Order on a courthouse or its precincts, and any person affected by this Order may apply to this Court at Vancouver for an Order setting aside or varying this Order.

Craig Jones

Counsel for the Ministry of Attorney General

/ Registrar

By the Court