

BRITISH COLUMBIA JUDICIAL JUSTICES OF THE PEACE 2007 COMPENSATION COMMISSION


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NOTICE OF HEARING

The British Columbia Judicial Justices of the Peace 2007 Compensation Commission appointed under s. 3 of the *Judicial Compensation Act* to report on remuneration, allowances and benefits of judicial justices, and make recommendations in regard to these matters for the next three fiscal years, will hold a public hearing at 28th Floor, 666 Burrard Street, Vancouver, B.C., commencing at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2007. Those wishing to make a submission should notify the Commission in writing at the address below of their intention to do so not later than April 30, 2007, stating whether they wish to make a submission in writing only or also make oral submission at the hearing, and must in any event provide the Commission with their submission in writing not later than May 31, 2007. Further information is available from address below.


DREW DEMERSE
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INFORMATION CIRCULAR

1. The Commission has been appointed under s. 3 of the *Judicial Compensation Act*, SBC 2003 Ch. 59, to report on the remuneration, allowances and benefits of judicial justices of the peace with recommendations for the next three fiscal years.
2. The Commission is required by s. 5(1) of the Act to make its preliminary report no later than September 1, 2007. Section 6(2) provides that, unless rejected within 28 days of having been laid before the Legislative Assembly, the Commission's recommendations will constitute the remuneration, allowances and benefits to be received by judicial justices of the peace, as there provided.
3. The Commission is concerned that additional judicial justices of the peace may be appointed between now and the date of its sitting, and wishes to ensure that such persons have the opportunity to present submissions, if they wish to do so. To the extent that this can fairly be done, the Commission will, if necessary, consider departure from the rules that follow in order to give newly-appointed judicial justices that opportunity. The statutory deadline for the Commission's report cannot, however, be varied; its hearing dates have been set accordingly and it is unlikely these can be changed.
4. Those intending to make submissions to the Commission are asked to advise the Commission of their intention to do so in writing not later than April 30, 2007, at the address below, stating whether they intend to make a submission in writing only, or wish also to make an oral submission at the hearing. The Commission will thereafter advise such parties of the number of copies of their submission that they will be required to file in order to assure distribution to other interested parties.
5. All persons intending to make a submission must do so in writing to the address below not later than May 31, 2007. Persons who make a submission in writing will be entitled on request to receive copies of other submissions received by the Commission.

Any person wishing to see submissions received by the Commission may make an appointment to do so with the Secretary at the address below.

6. Anyone wishing to respond to a submission filed with the Commission may do so in writing, to the address below, not later than June 21, 2007.
7. The Commissioners expect to view the work of judicial justices at the Robson Square facility on June 12, at the Richmond Courthouse on June 13 and at the Judicial Centre in Burnaby on June 16. They will consider the possibility of taking a similar view elsewhere in the province, if so requested, provided that the work performed by judicial justices at such other location appears significantly different from the work being done at one or more of the above-mentioned three locations.
8. The Commission hearing will take place at 28th Floor, 666 Burrard Street, Vancouver, B.C., commencing at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 3, 2007, and ending not later than Friday, July 6, 2007.
9. The Commission may vary the above arrangements should this appear necessary in order properly to carry out its duties.



DREW DEMERSE
Commission Secretary

April 10, 2007