



March 25, 2021

Patrick Fox
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Attention: Patrick Fox

Crown Counsel and Judge Complaint

Thank you for your letter of February 3, 2021, addressed to the Honourable David Eby, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing, regarding the conduct of Crown Counsel and the judge in your current legal matter. I am responding on behalf of the Attorney General, as the Deputy Attorney General of British Columbia.

In your letter you describe comments and actions made by Crown Counsel, as well as the presiding judge in your case. While I appreciate the time that you have taken to write, the Ministry of Attorney General cannot speak to matters presently before the courts, nor do we have the authority to investigate complaints about judges. Under our system of law, the judicial branch of government is separate and independent from the executive branch of government. The independence of the judiciary from the executive and legislative branches of government is a fundamental principle of our democracy.

Any concerns regarding the conduct—as opposed to a ruling—of a Provincial Court Judge may be submitted to the Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of British Columbia, as their office handles all complaints regarding the conduct of Judicial Officers of the Provincial Court.

Information on the complaint process and an online complaint form can be found on the Provincial Court of British Columbia's website at:
<http://www.provincialcourt.bc.ca/complaints-and-appeals/complaint-process>.

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If you are unable to complete the online complaint form, please forward your complaint in writing to the Office of the Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of BC. Contact information is as follows:

The Honourable Melissa Gillespie
Chief Judge
Provincial Court of British Columbia
Suite 337 - 800 Hornby Street
Vancouver, British Columbia
V6Z 2C5

Additionally, as you reference a previous Supreme Court Matter, you may wish to direct your concerns regarding the conduct of a Supreme Court judge in writing to the Canadian Judicial Council by e-mail at: info@cjc-ccm.gc.ca or to the following address:

Canadian Judicial Council
Ottawa, Ontario
K1A 0W8

Lastly, in your letter you express concerns regarding a Crown Counsel and the handling of your case. As the matter to which you refer is currently still before the court, it would be inappropriate to comment at this time.

Please be advised that your complaints will be brought to the attention of the Crown Counsel with conduct of the file.

Thank you for writing. I regret that I cannot be of further assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'R. Fyfe'.

Richard J. M. Fyfe, QC
Deputy Attorney General and
Deputy Minister Responsible for Housing