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POLICE COMPLAINT COMMISSIONER ORDERS A PUBLIC HEARING

Victoria - The Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner has announced a Public Hearing into allegations of misconduct with respect to Constable Mark Lobel and Constable Viet Hoang of the Vancouver Police Department (VPD).

On April 2, 2016, the Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner (OPCC) received information from a member of the public, in which allegations of professional misconduct against Constables Lobel and Hoang were raised, including *Abuse of Authority*. During the course of the investigation, other allegations of professional misconduct were identified and investigated.

The *Abuse of Authority* allegation was adjudicated through the disciplinary process. The Discipline Authority determined that this allegation of misconduct was proven against Constable Hoang, proposing advice as to conduct as a disciplinary measure.

On March 15, 2018 our office received a request from Constable Hoang for a Review on the Record, however the Police Complaint Commissioner has determined that a Public Hearing is the more appropriate form of adjudicative review for this matter.

Upon the recommendation of the Associate Chief Justice of the British Columbia Supreme Court, retired Supreme Court Judge the Honourable Ronald McKinnon is appointed to preside as Adjudicator in these proceedings, pursuant to section 142(2) of the *Police Act*.

A date for the Public Hearing will be determined in the future.

Details may be found in the *Notice of Public Hearing* located at www.opcc.bc.ca.

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