

## Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner

British Columbia, Canada

## NOTICE

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## Public Hearing into the conduct of Sergeant Brent Keleher

**Victoria -** A Public Hearing into the misconduct allegation involving Sergeant Brent Keleher from the Victoria Police Department will resume on Thursday, September 15, 2022, starting at 10:00 am.

The hearing is open to members of the public and will be convened at the Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner, at 947 Fort Street, Victoria, BC.

The Adjudicator appointed for this matter, Honourable Judge Wally Oppal, Q.C., retired BC Court of Appeal Justice, has amended his previous order pursuant to section 150 of the *Police Act*, prohibiting the public release of the names of the parties involved. Accordingly, the complainant will only be identified by her initials, while the member and other witnesses can been named.

You can find the amended section 150 order here.

Please be advised that the building has a vaccination requirement for all persons entering. Persons attending this Public Hearing may be required to display proof of vaccination. The following forms of proof of vaccination will be accepted:

- BC Vaccine Cards
- Federal proofs of vaccination
- QR codes from other provinces and territories (PDF, 612 KB)

## About the OPCC and Public Hearings:

• The Police Complaint Commissioner is a civilian, independent Officer of the Legislature overseeing complaints, investigations and discipline involving municipal police in British Columbia. For more on the OPCC, visit: <u>https://opcc.bc.ca/about-us/</u>

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- Following a disciplinary process, the Police Complaint Commissioner can order a Public Hearing if there is a reasonable basis to believe that the decision of the Discipline Authority is incorrect or it is in the public interest to review the matter.
- Retired judges sit as adjudicators in Public Hearings. They review evidence, hear sworn testimony, and arrive at a decision of whether there is misconduct and, if so, determine the corrective or disciplinary measures.
- An adjudicator may, by order, prohibit or restrict a person or a class of persons, or the public, from attending all or part of a Public Hearing or Review on the Record, or from accessing all or part of any information provided to or held by the adjudicator of a public hearing or review on the record.
- The Adjudicator's decision in a Public Hearing is final and conclusive.
- More on public hearings: <u>https://opcc.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Public-Hearings-General-Information.pdf</u>

**Note to media:** The OPCC is unable to comment on specific proceedings while they are underway.

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