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Guide to Civil Litigation

British Columbia Edition

We are pleased to enclose update 3/17. Kindly review the pages and then insert the updated pages as set out on the Instruction Sheet. In addition to housekeeping amendments, Highlights are set out below.

Highlights

Notice of Application [p. 2.124] — The Preparation section has been amended to account for the updates to the dates for booking lengthy chambers applications.

Arranging a Trial Date [pp. 3.20 - 3.20(b)] — These pages have been amended to account for the Notices to the Profession dated June 22, 2017, regarding updates to the dates that the trial calendars open for booking for trial dates for MVA, civil, and family trials in Vancouver.

[NEW] Letter to doctor requesting medical/legal report further to independent (defence) medical examination - e.g. psychiatrist [pp. 4.16 - 4.17] — We have added an example letter requesting a medical/legal report with respect to an independent medical (psychiatric) examination on behalf of the defence (example 24).

Authorizations for Release of Information Index [pp. 5.27 - 5.27(a)] — Additions and revisions have been made to the index to accord with the various additions and revisions to the corresponding authorizations (referenced below).

Application for the Release of Patient Care Records (ambulance records) [pp. 5.28 - 5.29] — The authorization (including corresponding website link) have been amended to take into account the new way of accessing this information via the redirected website.

Consent for Release of PharmaNet Patient Record [pp. 5.30 - 5.31] — The explanation page and authorization (including corresponding website link) have been amended to take into account that, effective August 1, 2017, the Ministry of Health has assumed responsibility from the College of Pharmacists of British Columbia for processing all PharmaNet profile requests and printing and distributing PharmaNet profiles.

WorkSafeBC Authorization of Representative (workers' compensation claim file) [p. 5.32] — The authorization (including corresponding website link) has been amended to take into account the new way of accessing this information via the redirected website.

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Authorizing or Cancelling a Representative (income tax returns) [pp. 5.34 - 5.35(b)] — The authorization (including corresponding website link) has been amended to take into account the new way of accessing this information via the redirected website (Government of Canada instead of CRA).

Consent to Disclosure of Information (Income Assistance, Disability Assistance, Hardship Assistance Records or Supplements) [p. 5.36] — The authorization (including corresponding website link) has been amended to take into account the new way of accessing this information via the redirected website.