



COURT OF APPEAL

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COURT OF APPEAL POLICY
RECORDING OF COURT PROCEEDINGS BY ACCREDITED JOURNALISTS

At a recent meeting, the judges of the Court of Appeal considered a request that the Court of Appeal develop a policy similar to that of the Supreme Court to allow accredited journalists to take audio recording devices into Court of Appeal hearings.

The Court of Appeal will allow journalists who have been accredited by the British Columbia Supreme Court to take recording devices into Court of Appeal hearings. Journalists seeking to record appeal proceedings must advise the Registrar of the Court of Appeal prior to the commencement of the hearing. At the time of the request, the journalist shall also provide confirmation of accreditation to the Registrar of the Court of Appeal.

The Court of Appeal adopts the British Columbia Supreme Court policy on recording devices of October 9, 2002.

The presiding judge and the panel hearing the appeal may refuse to allow the journalist to record the appeal proceedings.

This notice is effective immediately.

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“The Honourable Chief Justice Finch”