



Court of Appeal for British Columbia

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**CIVIL AND FAMILY PRACTICE DIRECTIVES AND NOTES**

<b>CURRENT TITLE</b>	<b>UPDATE HISTORY</b>	<b>PREVIOUS TITLE</b>
<b>Addressing the Court</b>	New practice note - October 24, 2014	
<b>Adjournment of Appeals</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - January 22, 2010 First issued - June 7, 2005	unchanged unchanged
<b>Booking Civil Chambers Applications</b>	New practice note - April 28, 2017	
<b>Case Management of Family Law Appeals</b>	Replaced Family Law Appeals - February 28, 2018 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - January 12, 2004	Renamed Case Management of Family Law Appeals Unchanged Issued as Family Law Appeals
<b>Chambers Applications by Telephone or Videoconference</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - December 12, 2005 Replaced - March 7, 2002 First issued - March 2, 1998	current title unchanged unchanged Chambers Applications by Telephone
<b>Citation of Authorities</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - June 18, 2007 First issued - March 7, 2002	unchanged unchanged

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<b>CURRENT TITLE</b>	<b>UPDATE HISTORY</b>	<b>PREVIOUS TITLE</b>
<b>Commencing an Appeal When Uncertain if Leave to Appeal is Required</b>	Replaced – May 8, 2017 Replaced - April 28, 2017 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - May 5, 2008	unchanged unchanged
<b>Condensed Books</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - March 26, 2007	unchanged
<b>Consent Orders</b>	New practice directive – February 28, 2018	
<b>Correction of Books Filed with Court</b>	New practice note - August 2, 2013	
<b>Costs</b>	New practice directive - May 30, 2013	
<b>Court of Appeal Practice Directives</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - December 6, 2007 First issued - March 21, 2007	unchanged unchanged
<b>Court Sittings in Kamloops and Kelowna</b>	Replaced - June 27, 2014 Replaced - April 17, 2012 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - September 8, 2010	current title unchanged unchanged Court Sittings in Kamloops, Kelowna, and Prince George
<b>Booking Civil Chambers Applications</b>	New practice note – May 8, 2017	

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Digital Recording Policy in Court of Appeal	<b>Repealed</b> - March 16 , 2015 Replaced September 19, 2011 First issued - June 2, 2008	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged
Electronic Media in Appeal Books	New practice directive - May 13, 2016	
Expedited Appeals	Replaced - December 12, 2011 First issued - September 19, 2011	unchanged
Factum Format	<b>Repealed</b> - February 18, 2013 Replaced September 19, 2011 First issued - March 21, 2007	unchanged
Filing Written Argument in Court of Appeal Chambers	Replaced - March 1, 2012 First issued - September 19, 2011	unchanged
Five Justice Divisions	Replaced - February 3, 2012 Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - September 2, 2010 Replaced - December 12, 2005 Replaced - March 7, 2002 First issued - March 2, 1998	unchanged unchanged unchanged unchanged unchanged

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<b>CURRENT TITLE</b>	<b>UPDATE HISTORY</b>	<b>PREVIOUS TITLE</b>
<b>Frequently Cited Authorities</b>	Replaced - October 12, 2018 Replaced - October 21, 2011 Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - June 11, 2009 First issued - July 6, 2006	unchanged unchanged unchanged unchanged
<b>Guidelines for Protecting Privacy Interests in Reasons for Judgment</b>	New practice directive - September 19, 2011	
<b>Hague Protocol for Appeals Regarding the Inter-Jurisdictional Abduction of Children, including international abductions engaging The 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (the "Hague Convention")</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 New practice directive - July 21, 2009	current title Protocol for Appeals Regarding the Inter-Jurisdictional Abduction of Children, including international abductions engaging The 1980 Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction (the "Hague Convention")
<b>Joint Appeal Books and Transcript Extracts</b>	Repealed – April 23, 2019 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - December 6, 2007	unchanged
<b>Judicial Settlement Conferences</b>	Replaced - June 27, 2014 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - December 12, 2005	unchanged unchanged



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<b>CURRENT TITLE</b>	<b>UPDATE HISTORY</b>	<b>PREVIOUS TITLE</b>
Obtaining Oral Reasons for Judgment	<p><b>Repealed</b> - March 16, 2015</p> <p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>First issued - April 4, 2011</p>	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged
Oral Reasons for Judgment	<p><b>Repealed</b> - March 16, 2015</p> <p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>First issued - December 12, 2005</p>	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged
<b>Order Made When Extension of Time Refused</b>	<p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>First issued - September 8, 2010</p>	unchanged
<b>Preferred Filing Registry</b>	<p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>First issued - December 3, 2007</p>	current title; minor changes to language Notice to the Profession titled variously <i>Hearings in Victoria</i> and <i>Preferred Filing Registry</i>
<b>Publication Bans and Sealing Orders</b>	<p><b>First issued – June 4, 2018</b></p>	

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<b>CURRENT TITLE</b>	<b>UPDATE HISTORY</b>	<b>PREVIOUS TITLE</b>
Release of Court of Appeal Reserve Reasons for Judgment by email	<p><b>Repealed</b> - February 14, 2017</p> <p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>First Issued - August 31, 2010</p>	reserve judgments to be made available on Court of Appeal website at/before 10:00am on day of release unchanged
<b>Submission of Electronic Factums and Statements</b>	<p>Replaced April 23, 2019</p> <p>Replaced June 27, 2014</p> <p>Replaced September 19, 2011</p> <p>Replaced May 5, 2008</p> <p>First issued - December 12, 2005</p>	<p>current title</p> <p>unchanged</p> <p>unchanged</p> <p>Filing of Electronic Factums and Statements</p>
<b>Supplementary Arguments</b>	<p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>Replaced - December 12, 2005</p> <p>Replaced - March 7, 2002</p> <p>First issued - March 2, 1998</p>	<p>unchanged</p> <p>unchanged</p> <p>unchanged</p>
<b>Transcripts of Proceedings</b>	<p>Replaced – May 24, 2019</p> <p>Replaced - September 19, 2011</p> <p>Replaced - December 6, 2007</p> <p>First issued - December 12, 2005</p>	<p>current title</p> <p>Transcript Extracts</p> <p>unchanged</p> <p>unchanged</p>
<b>Use of the Facsimile in Court of Appeal</b>	<p>Replaced - December 12, 2005</p> <p>Replaced - March 7, 2002</p> <p>First issued - March 2, 1998</p>	<p>unchanged</p> <p>unchanged</p>

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Access to Criminal Appeal Files	Repealed - August 24, 2012  Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - March 2, 1998	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged
Addressing the Court	New practice note - October 24, 2014	
Adjournment of Appeals	Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - January 22, 2010	unchanged
Applications for a Court-Appointed Lawyer Under Section 684 of the Criminal Code	Replaced September 19, 2011 Replaced - November 8, 2010 First issued - December 12, 2005	unchanged unchanged
Chambers Applications by Telephone or Videoconferencing	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - December 12, 2005 Replaced - March 7, 2002 First issued - March 2, 1998	Current title unchanged unchanged Chambers Applications by Telephone
Citation of Authorities	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - June 18, 2007 Replaced - March 7, 2002 First issued - March 2, 1998	unchanged unchanged unchanged

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<b>Condensed Books</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - March 26, 2007	unchanged
<b>Correction of Books Filed with Court</b>	New practice note - August 2, 2013	
<b>Court of Appeal Practice Directives</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - December 6, 2007 First issued - March 21, 2007	unchanged unchanged
<b>Court Sittings in Kamloops and Kelowna</b>	Replaced - June 27, 2014 Replaced - April 17, 2012 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - September 8, 2010	current title unchanged unchanged Court Sittings in Kamloops, Kelowna, and Prince George
<b>Criminal Conviction/Acquittal Appeals Timeline [pilot project]</b>	Replaced - January 13, 2014 Replaced March 28, 2012 First issued - May 14, 2010	unchanged unchanged
<b>Criminal Transcripts</b>	New practice note - May 30, 2013	
<b>Digital Recording Policy in Court of Appeal</b>	<del>Repealed</del> - March 16, 2015  Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - June 2, 2008	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged

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<b>Double-Siding of Appeal Materials</b>	New practice note - February 9, 2016	
<b>Electronic Media in Appeal Books</b>	New practice directive - May 13, 2016	
<b>Expedited Appeals</b>	Replaced - December 12, 2011 First issued - September 19, 2011	unchanged
<b>Extradition Appeals</b>	Replaced - May 13, 2016 First issued note - March 21, 2014	
<b>Factums in Criminal Appeals</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - March 21, 2007	
<b>Five Justice Divisions</b>	Replaced - February 3, 2012 Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - September 2, 2010 Replaced - December 12, 2005 Replaced - March 7, 2002 First issued - March 2, 1998	unchanged unchanged unchanged unchanged unchanged
<b>Forfeiture, Dangerous and Long Term Offender Appeals</b>	New practice directive - September 6, 2013	

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<b>Frequently Cited Authorities</b>	Replaced - October 21, 2011 Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - June 11, 2009 First issued - July 6, 2006	unchanged unchanged unchanged
<b>Guidelines for Protecting Privacy Interests in Reasons for Judgment</b>	New practice directive - September 19, 2011	
<b>In Custody Appellants and New Trials</b>	New practice directive - May 8, 2012	
<b>Ineffective Assistance of Trial Counsel</b>	Replaced - November 12, 2013 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - February 1, 2005	unchanged unchanged
<b>Mental Disorder Appeals</b>	Replaced - September 4, 2012 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - March 2, 1998	unchanged unchanged
<b>Obtaining Oral Reasons for Judgment</b>	<del>Repealed</del> - March 16, 2015  Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - April 4, 2011	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged

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Oral Reasons for Judgment	Repealed - March 16, 2015  Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - December 12, 2005	included in Records and Courtroom Access Policy unchanged
Preferred Filing Registry	Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - December 3, 2007	current title; minor changes to language Notice to the Profession titled variously <i>Hearings in Victoria</i> and <i>Preferred Filing Registry</i>
Publication Bans	New practice note - July 24, 2012	
Release of Court of Appeal Reserve Reasons for Judgment by email	Repealed - February 14, 2017  Replaced - September 19, 2011 First Issued - August 31, 2010	reserve judgments to be made available on Court of Appeal website at/before 10:00am on day of release unchanged
Sentence Appeals	Replaced - March 11, 2016 Replaced - September 6, 2013 Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - May 14, 1999	unchanged unchanged unchanged

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<b>Submission of Electronic Factums and Statements</b>	Replaced – April 23, 2019 Replaced June 27, 2014 Replaced September 19, 2011 Replaced May 5, 2008 First issued - December 12, 2005	current title unchanged unchanged unchanged Filing of Electronic Factums and Statements
<b>Summary Conviction Appeals</b>	New practice directive - September 6, 2013	
<b>Supplementary Arguments</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 Replaced - December 12, 2005 Replaced - March 7, 2002 First issued - March 2, 1998	unchanged unchanged unchanged
<b>Use of Facsimile in Court of Appeal</b>	Replaced - September 19, 2011 First issued - December 12, 2005	unchanged