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## B.C. COURT OF APPEAL

## NOTICE TO THE MEDIA

Release of Reasons for Judgment in R. v. Pickton

The reasons for judgment in the two appeals in *R. v. Pickton* will be released on Thursday, June 25, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. There will be a media lock-up prior to the release of the reasons for judgment from 9:00 am to 10:30 am. The Court of Appeal Law Officer will be present to give a short briefing to the media and to answer questions that might arise.

The rules of the lock-up are as follows:

- 1. Only accredited journalists will be admitted to the lock-up. The acceptable forms of accreditation are as follows:
  - A journalist who is currently accredited with the Supreme Court and who produces the issued identification card; or
  - A journalist who has contacted a member of the Accreditation Committee (see below) for confirmation of their journalist's status, and this confirmation has been e-mailed before June 24, 2009 to <u>PicktonAppeal@courts.gov.bc.ca</u>
- 2. Any journalist wishing to participate in the media lock-up must register by by sending an e-mail to the Court of Appeal no later than **2 p.m. on June 24**<sup>th</sup> at <a href="mailto:PicktonAppeal@courts.gov.bc.ca">PicktonAppeal@courts.gov.bc.ca</a>. Only those journalists who register will be permitted to attend the lock-up.
- 3. The media lock-up will take place in Boardroom 205 at Robson Square. To reach the media lock-up, please use the Smithe Street entrance for the Robson Square building which is located across the street from 800 Smithe Street. Journalists who have registered to attend the media lock-up may report to the media lock-up starting at 8:30 am.
- 4. Journalists who attend the media lock-up will be required to sign an undertaking in the attached form that he or she will not engage in any external communications for the duration of the media lock-up. In order to make the sign-in process faster, please download and fill out the undertaking before you arrive. Blank copies of the undertaking will be available, if required.

- 5. Journalists attending the media lock-up must produce one piece of government issued identification (e.g., driver's licence, passport) which will be held for the duration of the media lock-up.
- 6. Journalists attending the media lock-up will be required to surrender all electronic communication devices (e.g. cellular phones, two-way radios, personal digital assistants, wireless adaptors and wireless microphones etc.) to the Court security officer for the duration of the media lock-up.
- 7. Once the lock-up begins, you will be given one copy of each of the reasons for judgment which you can keep.

June 18, 2009

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