Who's Lobbying Who in BC?

Monthly Snapshot - December 31, 2018

The following organizations and consultant lobbyists submitted their registrations under the B.C. Lobbyists Registration Act and they were activated between December 1 and December 31, 2018. Here is a brief summary of lobbying activities organizations and consultant lobbyists have or expect to carry out. The full details of each registration are searchable at www.lobbyistsregistrar.bc.ca.

- Mike Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is arranging meetings with the
 Minister of Attorney General on behalf of Artisan SakeMaker Inc. to brief officials on the benefits of
 creating a new licensing category for a rice-based liquor producer and securing the approval of a markup exemption.
- 2. David Bieber, Bradley Lavigne and Ben Parsons, consultant lobbyists with Counsel Public Affairs, are lobbying a number of public office holders on behalf of Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd. to increase access to publicly funded NARCAN Nasal Spray are a means to protect first responders and others in the event of opioid overdose.
- 3. Nicole Brassard, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with staff of the Minister of Health on behalf of GE Healthcare Canada regarding the creating of a new special reimbursement fund for GEs radiological imaging product, DatScan.
- 4. Jason Craik and Will McMartin, consultant lobbyists with Composite Public Affairs Inc., are arranging meetings with MLA Andrew Weaver on behalf of the British Columbia Anesthesiologists' Society to inform government of their activities and discuss better health care for all British Columbians.
- 5. Michael Cunningham, a consultant lobbyist with Graphite Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with several public office holders on behalf of Allan Financial to provide feedback and input regarding the life insurance sector relating to the Financial Institutions Act and Credit Union Incorporation Act Review.
- 6. Michael Drummond, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying staff of the MLA for Victoria-Swan Lake on behalf of the United Way of the Lower Mainland to investigate potential partnerships to further strengthen services to children and families in communities.

- 7. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with several public office holders on behalf of the B.C. Women's Hospital + Health Centre Foundation to brief public office holder on the Foundation and its commitment to raising awareness of women's health issues.
- 8. Nicole Johnson, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is arranging meetings with staff of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure on behalf of Neutron Holdings Inc (dba Lime, LimeBike) to introduce their products as part of the transportation ecosystem and support moving the province to a low-carbon economy.
- 9. Ron Ross, a consultant lobbyist with Pathway Group, is lobbying several public office holders on behalf of the Canadian Institute of Quantity Surveyors to seek mandatory participation by qualified Quantity Surveyors on government contracts.
- 10. Mark Sager and Brett Thorburn, consultant lobbyist with Sager Legal Advisors, are arranging meetings with MLA Bowinn Ma, on behalf of Johnson Controls to provide an introduction to Johnson Controls.
- 11. Don Stickney, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is arranging meetings with staff of the Minister of Labour on behalf of the British Columbia Maritime Employer Association to build awareness.
- 12. Accenture Inc. is lobbying several public agencies to discuss how they can improve the overall business capabilities and performance of BC crown corporations and public agencies to achieve their strategic goals.
- 13. Amgen Canada Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding the listing and reimbursement of their products.
- 14. Aphria Inc. is lobbying the Ministry of Agriculture, the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General regarding regulations and policies related to cannabis, specifically regulations dealing with the production, distribution and sale of cannabis in BC.
- 15. The Architectural Institute of British Columbia is lobbying the Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Training for amendments to the *Architects Act*.
- 16. The BC Agriculture Council is lobbying a number of public office holders on a variety of issues including issues regarding labour shortages in agriculture, the impact of the Employers Health Tax on farmers, and the need to improve transportation through the Fraser Valley.
- 17. The BC Alliance for Healthy Living Society is lobbying several public office holders regarding the poverty reduction plan, the Communities on the Move declaration and initiative, and sustainable and active transportation in BC.

- 18. The BC Civil Liberties Association is lobbying several public office holders on a variety of issues, including anti-SLAPP legislation, whistleblower legislation, and potential changes to the Police Act to enhance power of the Police Complaints Commissioner.
- 19. The BC Government and Service Employees' Union is lobbying several public office holders on a number of issues including seeking changes to improve occupational health and safety for healthcare workers, promoting the training, recruitment and retention of workers in the justice system, and seeking support for strategies to address the housing affordability crisis in BC.
- 20. The BC Poverty Reduction Coalition is lobbying a number of public office holders to discuss the implementation of a comprehensive poverty reduction plan.
- 21. The BC Salmon Farmers Association is lobbying several public office holders regarding the BC salmon farming industry, the Environmental Management Act, the Integrated Pest Management Act and the Land Act.
- 22. The Business Council of British Columbia is lobbying a number of public office holders on a variety of issues including forest policy, labour code, LNG policy, tax policy, climate policy, and First Nations issues.
- 23. The Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association is lobbying several public office holders on a number of issues including the protection of the interests of Canada's generic pharmaceutical industry during implementation of the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement and the USMCA, and developing a regulatory pathway for biosimilars.
- 24. The Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association is lobbying several ministers on a number of issues including advocating for inclusion of private payers in pan-Canadian Pharmaceutical Alliance, and advocating for an agreement on the use of genetic testing results in underwriting of insurance.
- 25. The Canadian Medical Association is lobbying staff of the Ministry of Health to present their position on seniors care, specifically, the implementation of a seniors care strategy, and to discuss new Ministry responsible for children and adolescent mental health and addictions.
- 26. The Canadian Red Cross Society is lobbying a number of public office holders on a broad range of topics including requests for financial and in kind aid to support domestic and international disasters, and development of policies and procedures to ensure effective communication in times of disaster and emergencies.
- 27. Coast Capital Savings Federal Credit Union is lobbying several public office holders regarding Coast Capital's services for British Columbians and plan for national expansion.

- 28. CropLife Canada is lobbying the Minister of Agriculture, the Minister of Health and the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy regarding awareness of, and benefits to consumers, farmers and the environment, of plant science innovations.
- 29. First West Credit Union is lobbying several public office holders seeking to address matters related to the taxation of credit unions in BC as well as participating in the review of the Financial Institutions Act and Credit Union Incorporation Acts.
- 30. GCT Global Container Terminals Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding ongoing priorities, infrastructure and operational issues related to GCT Vanterm and GCT Deltaport terminals in context of the Western Trade Corridors strategy.
- 31. Hewlett Packard Enterprise Canada Co. is lobbying an extensive list of public agencies regarding investment in HPE servers, networks, storage, software and related support.
- 32. LiUNA Local 1611 is lobbying the Minister of Labour regarding administrative measures to monitor and enforce compliance of the Employments Standards Act and stop the underground economy in construction.
- 33. LNG Canada Development Inc. is lobbying several public office holders on a number of topics including discussions on LNG fiscal framework, discussions on LNG-related carbon management issues, and updates on LNG Canada.
- 34. Music Canada Live is lobbying a number of public office holders to ensure that secondary ticketing legislation achieves its goal of consumer protection.
- 35. Pembina Pipeline Corporation is lobbying a number of public office holders on several issues including discussions and updates on Pembina's projects in BC, including the Prince Rupert export terminal, discussions on BC's energy, environmental and climate change policies and potential partnerships and joint funding opportunities to facilitate brownfield remediation.
- 36. Primerica Financial Services (Canada) Ltd. is lobbying a number of MLAs on a variety of issues including advocating for change to mutual fund fee structures for financial advisors and advocating for reasonable entry and licensing standards for life insurance agents.
- 37. Rogers Communications Inc. is lobbying staff of a number of public agencies about contracts related to the delivery of telecommunication services.
- 38. Shaw Communications Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding Shaw's telecommunications services and procurement opportunities.
- 39. Siemens Healthcare Limited is lobbying staff of several public agencies regarding the sales and marketing of medical equipment, services and supplies.

- 40. Steelhead LNG Corp. is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding the development and potential electrification of the co-managed Kwispaa LNG facility with Huu-ay-aht First Nations.
- 41. Suncor Energy Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders on issues such as market access, climate program, such as renewable fuel standard, low carbon fuel standard and housing for Indigenous youth, and to promote Suncor's operations in BC.
- 42. Tappcar Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders regarding the rideshare industry, with respect to insurance and labour issues.
- 43. Tides Canada Initiatives Society is lobbying a number of public office holders on a range of issues including the BC Endangered Species Act, BC Environmental Assessment Act revitalization, and implementation of the new Water Sustainability Act.
- 44. The Tourism Industry Association of British Columbia is lobbying the Minister of Tourism, Arts and Culture to provide input into or response to government changes to the Municipal & Regional District Tax that is used by destination marketing organizations for sales and marketing activities.
- 45. VeloMetro Mobility Inc. is lobbying a number of public office holders to seek equivalent helmet exemption for three wheeled cycles, equivalent to pedi-cab and quadricycle exemptions currently in the MVA and regulations.