

WHO'S LOBBYING WHO IN BC? Monthly Snapshot – February 2025

The following is a brief summary of new Registration Returns activated or re-activated between February 1 and February 28, 2025, under BC's *Lobbyists Transparency Act*.

To view full details of all Registration Returns, you must search the <u>Lobbyists Registry</u>. For screenshots of various ways to search the Lobbyists Registry, see the <u>Getting Started - Reference Guide</u> pages 26 - 28.

- 1. Kareem Allam, a consultant lobbyist with Richardson Strategy Group Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Upland Ridge Development Corp regarding support of an Indigenous lead, multi-use commercial, industrial, and residential development project.
- 2. Jennifer Anthony, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Movement of United Professionals (MoveUP) regarding several matters such as the long-term stability and sustainability of public transportation in British Columbia, creation of a new crown corporation on retrofits, energy regulation, develop energy policies that reduce emissions and save and create jobs, implementing the recommendations of the BCFED submission in response to the report, labour rights, ensure that the rights of their members and others to join unions and bargain collectively are protected and improving service for drivers and securing the company's long-term stability and sustainability as a publicly-owned crown corporation.
- 3. Zach Authier and Matt Williamson, consultant lobbyists with Global Public Affairs, are lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of NTE Discovery Park Ltd. regarding the land use planning and development activities of Discovery Park and seeking provincial government support in dealing with materials from an old mill demolition.
- 4. Michael Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of KTL Transport Inc. regarding the transfer of certain

- claims from the company of the individual driver, change to the Tax Management Policy and to advocate for the BC Government to not accept the British Columbia Container Trucking Commissioner's recommendations as detailed in Addendum II to 2023 Rate Review Consultation Report overtime calculation for independent operators.
- 5. Michael Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Westran Intermodal Limited regarding support and assistance in persuading the Port of Vancouver to negotiate and extension to Westran Intermodal's current lease.
- 6. Amee Barber, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of The Canadian Gaming Association regarding information on regulating iGaming, including information on markets in other jurisdictions in Canada.
- 7. Amee Barber, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Canadian Online Gaming Alliance regarding the creation of a regulatory regime for Internet gaming.
- 8. James Barley, Sophie Gale and Nicholas Hayden, consultant lobbyists with Strategies North Advisory Inc., are lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Village of Valemount regarding financial support to bolster local businesses and prevent job loss within the municipality in the aftermath of the 2024 Jasper Wildfires.
- 9. Jeff Bolichowski, a consultant lobbyist with Armstrong Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of College of Vocational Rehabilitation Professionals regarding awareness of Vocational Rehabilitation with key members of government to emphasize the importance of professional certifications for guaranteeing quality of rehabilitative care in areas such as workers' compensation.
- 10. Matthew Campbell, Ben Harford, Brian Klunder and Joshua Matthewman, consultant lobbyists with Temple Scott Associates Inc., are lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Environmental Defence Canada regarding the importance of new provincial government investment in expanding transit capacity and service levels in British Columbia.
- 11. Dennis Chan, a consultant lobbyist with Pathway Strategies Inc, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Alexion Pharma Canada Corp regarding areas of public policy relating to reimbursement, research, innovation and investment pertaining to pharmaceuticals.

- 12. Eric Co, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Pembina Pipeline Corporation regarding changes to BC's energy, environmental and climate change policies which includes several matters such as: the revitalization of BC's environmental assessment processes and CleanBC; support BC's evolving governmental policy goals and objectives; the development of an LNG export facility in Kitimat, BC; support for potential export opportunities for Canadian oil and gas resources and products off the West Coast; and to advocate for clean hydrogen-as-ammonia exports from the West Coast of B.C., including efforts to enable engagement along relevant rail corridors.
- 13. Eric Co, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Vertex Pharmaceuticals (Canada) Incorporated regarding Common Drug Review, as it relates to health technology assessments and drug product reimbursement recommendations and issues related to access to medicines for Rare Diseases.
- 14. Cole Cyr, a consultant lobbyist with Colina Consulting Ltd., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Ducks Unlimited Canada regarding policy and permitting associated with the Ministries of Environment, FLNRORD and the Agricultural Land Commission, and Enhancing wetland conservation in BC through planning and regulatory measures.
- 15. Stephen Filbey, a consultant lobbyist with WestPAR Consultancy Inc., is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Health and Provincial Health Services Authority on behalf of Merz Pharma Canada Ltd. regarding Xeomin and current public payer formulary access criteria and new indications to secure coverage that reflects the current Health Canada approved indications as well as potential new indications and future products to assist the BC drug Formulary in preparing for future potential coverage needs.
- 16. Aaron Freeman, a consultant lobbyist with Pivot Strategic Consulting Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Environmental Defense Fund regarding strengthening of regulations governing oil and gas methane emissions.
- 17. Zacharie Greenfield, Sajjid Lakhani and Christian von Donat, consultant lobbyists with Impact Public Affairs, are lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Insurance Brokers Association of British Columbia regarding the impacts of natural catastrophes and related adverse weather on British Columbians and the insurance landscape as well as educating and discussing the current auto insurance landscape in BC with policymakers.

- 18. Beatriz Grigsby-Larson, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of BC Funeral Association regarding changing regulatory requirements for member businesses, gaining essential services status for profession, and increasing funding for member businesses through Provincial Burial Program.
- 19. Bil Heatherington, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategies, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Provectus Biofuels Inc. in regard to accessing the BC Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) Initiative Agreement program, and other BC tax or fiscal policies, to support investments in clean fuel production and use in BC in light of falling credit prices and addressing the looming economic crisis being driven by large volumes of subsidized US renewable diesel imports into the Canadian market driving down the BC Low Carbon Fuel Standard (LCFS) credit prices.
- 20. Celestia Higano, a consultant lobbyist, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Vancouver Prostate Centre regarding support for the Prostate Cancer Supportive Care program, which ensures long-term survivorship and maximum quality of life through comprehensive physical and mental supportive care to patients, their partners, and other family members.
- 21. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Nicola Hill Strategies Ltd, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of MakeWay Charitable Society in regard to secure a Biodiversity and Ecosystem Health Law, as committed to as part of the Old Growth Strategic Review recommendations, and related measures to protect biodiversity and new opportunities for funding partnerships and new funding mechanisms to increase investments in the Watershed Security Fund to support First Nations, local governments, and communities to plan, manage and restore their local watersheds.
- 22. Jonathan Ingraham, a consultant lobbyist with Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Pacific Whale Watch Association regarding proposed amendments to the Marine Mammal Regulations, specifically in regard to viewing/approach distances and the southern killer whale.
- 23. Mark Jiles and Rob Nagai, consultant lobbyists with Bluestone Consulting Inc., are lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Concrete Association of BC regarding changes to policies affecting ready mix concrete in the province.

- 24. Mark Jiles, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Consulting Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Nanaimo Regional Hospital District regarding commitments and a pathway forward on a New Cancer Centre, Long-term Care Facility, and New Patient Tower & Cardiac Catheterization Lab.
- 25. Mark Jiles, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Consulting Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Verra Mobility regarding smart mobility technology opportunities in British Columbia, enhancing road safety with photo enforcement systems like red light, speed, and bus lane cameras.
- 26. Allie Meeres, a consultant lobbyist with Sedgwick Strategies Inc., is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Mining and Critical Minerals on behalf of Imperial Metals Corporation regarding policy and program recommendations regarding mineral exploration activities and regulatory processes in British Columbia, specifically related to permitting, environmental guidelines, and operational requirements for mining projects.
- 27. Michael McKinnon, a consultant lobbyist with Enterprise Canada, is lobbying public office holder at several public agencies on behalf of Google Cloud Canada Corporation regarding opportunities and platforms to drive innovation, efficiency and better delivery of services, including Al and cloud computing.
- 28. Michael McKinnon, a consultant lobbyist with Enterprise Canada, is lobbying public office holder at several public agencies on behalf of HealthPro Procurement Services Inc. regarding BC based businesses to overcome barriers to innovation, spur economic growth in BC and bolster post-COVID-19 health care procurement, including building safe domestic supply chains.
- 29. Fernando Minna, a consultant lobbyist with The Capital Hill Group Ottawa Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of X Corp regarding Online Safety as it relates to legislative proposals originally proposed under Bill 12 2024 *Public Health Accountability And Cost Recovery Act*.
- 30. John Moonen, a consultant lobbyist with John Moonen & Associates Ltd., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of TELUS Communications Inc. regarding discussions on the expansion and improvement of internet and telecommunications connectivity in BC, specifically regarding government funding to support projects.

- 31. Rob Nagai, a consultant lobbyist with Bluestone Government Relations, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Mechanical Contractors Association of British Columbia regarding raising the profile and impact of the mechanical contracting industry in BC.
- 32. Peter Scilag, a consultant lobbyist with Wellington Advocacy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Convenience Industry Council of Canada Inc. / Conseil Canadien de l'Industrie des Dépanneurs Inc. regarding the role of convenience stores in British Columbia communities and in the broader context of small businesses in the province including discussions on the role of convenience stores in working with the provincial government and local authorities to address illegal tobacco sales.
- 33. Jean-Marc Prevost and Amanda van Baarsen, consultant lobbyists with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., are lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Cariboo Clean Fuels Inc. regarding grants and programs to support the emerging clean fuel economy, specifically with respect to development of a hydrogen refueling station.
- 34. Jon Robinson, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy, is lobbying public office holder at several public agencies on behalf of Kids Brain Health NetWork (KBHN) regarding funding for research and knowledge mobilization relating to neurodevelopmental disabilities in children and youth under the age of 14.
- 35. Andrew Sennyah, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Definity Insurance Company regarding the development of regulations affecting property and casualty insurers and their customers and to enhance competition and choice for auto insurance in the province.
- 36. Katie Shaw, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Flutter Entertainment plc regarding regulating private online gambling, including information on legal private frameworks in other jurisdictions in Canada and economic impacts for taxation if the province were to regulate private online gambling, including information on legal private frameworks in other jurisdictions in Canada and their economic impacts.
- 37. Katie Shaw, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Huu-ay-aht First Nations regarding their economic development priorities, emergency preparedness, environmental initiatives, their children and family coordination table, energy project development, forestry efforts, as well as overall health

- and well being of the Nation; key taxation levers that are currently in place and/or need to be amended to support the priorities from the Nation as it pertains to supporting vulnerable populations; climate change mitigation and emergency preparedness planning priorities; energy priorities with a focus on renewable energy development; new forestry initiatives in alignment with their priorities and current forestry assets in the region; and implementation of the nation's law pertaining to welfare of children and youth from their community.
- 38. Katie Shaw, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Iron Workers Local 97 regarding advancing mandatory trades, addressing opportunities and challenges with temporary foreign workers and supporting expanded capital investments in infrastructure and transportation across the province.
- 39. Bill Tieleman, a consultant lobbyist with West Start Communications, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Quest Ad Hoc Group in regard to protect the interests of the former Quest University and examination of its financial activities.
- 40. Amanda van Baarsen, a consultant lobbyist with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Emergent BioSolutions Canada Inc. (formerly Adapt Pharma Canada Ltd.) regarding increase access to publicly funded NARCAN® (Naloxone HCI) Nasal Spray.
- 41. Amanda van Baarsen, a consultant lobbyist with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Facebook Canada Ltd. regarding matters impacting online digital platforms, including but not limited to broader policy issues such as population-level harms in Bill 12 (42-5) *Public Health Accountability and Cost Recovery Act*.
- 42. Amanda van Baarsen, a consultant lobbyist with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Health on behalf of Migrant Workers Centre BC Society regarding access to provincial Medical Services Plan for temporary foreign workers at the provincial level; specifically, to end to the 3-month wait period for TFWs accessing MSP.
- 43. Amanda van Baarsen, a consultant lobbyist with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of NWP Coal Canada Ltd. in regard to participating in the regulatory process and consultations relating to the proposed Crown Mountain Coking Coal Project.
- 44. Leah Ward, a consultant lobbyist with Wellington Advocacy Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Sysco Canada, Inc. regarding changes to government policy

- that improve the efficiency of food distribution supply chains in rural and urban communities, including school food programs, transportation services, training and skills development.
- 45. Matt Williamson, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of General Fusion Inc., regarding funding from Government of BC for R&D toward commercialization of made-in-BC fusion technology.
- 46. B'nai Brith National Organization of Canada is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding several matters including implementation of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Working Definition of Antisemitism across all governmental agencies and organizations, implementation of the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance Working Definition of Antisemitism across all governmental agencies and organizations, directives to the BC Prosecution Service regarding investigating and prosecuting hate-related and public order crimes, legislation to prevent hateful protests from happening near places of worship or religious and cultural institutions, polices to curtail antisemitism and antisemitic speech and incitement in elementary and secondary schools and institutions of higher learning and the development of Mandatory Holocaust education in the BC K-12 curriculum.
- 47. British Columbia Association of Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture Practitioners (ATCMA) is lobbying Member(s) of the BC Legislative Assembly and public office holders at the Ministry of Health Bylaws and TCM Regulations and their modernization, changes to healthcare delivery, recognizing registered Traditional Chinese Medicine professionals as contributors toward public healthcare divisions, use of Health Professions and Occupations Act (HPOA), and updates on MSP funding for acupuncture and Traditional Chinese Medicine coverage.
- 48. Isologic Innovative Radiopharmaceuticals Ltd. is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Health in regard to expand British Columbians' access to Positron Emission Tomography (PET) radiopharmaceuticals.
- 49. Jewish Seniors Alliance of British Columbia Society is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding barrier free home support for seniors in BC that would result in the elimination of co-payments for home support services, and possible increase in funding contract.
- 50. Junior Achievement of British Columbia (JABC) is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding funding, or advice on funding opportunities, for JA British Columbia, to garner support to expand the reach of our programs to positively impact more of BC's youth.

- 51. Nelson Professional Fire Fighters Association is lobbying Member(s) of the BC Legislative Assembly to amend WorkSafeBC legislation to decrease qualification time required for select cancer coverages, add specific forms of cancer not presently covered, add improved coverage for Operational Stress Injuries (OSI), and add requirement for employers to institute accepted physical and mental health screening, prevention, treatment programs.
- 52. Northeastern University Vancouver is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding policy and program recommendations to support graduate degree level education that is industry aligned, and labour market focused.
- 53. NTE Discovery Park Ltd. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding the land use planning and development activities of Discovery Park and seeking provincial government support in dealing with materials from an old mill demolition and seeking collaboration with provincial government to realize sustainable revenue generation on site that will enable further investment, jobs and regional economic development opportunities.
- 54. Surrey Teachers' Association is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding funding, student learning conditions including FSAs, curriculum support, curriculum development and related resources.

Top 5 Ministries/Provincial Entities in Active Registration Returns
Member(s) of the BC Legislative Assembly
Office of the Premier
Finance
Jobs, Economic Development and Innovation
Health

<u>Top 5 Ministries/Provincial Entities in Lobbying Activity Reports</u> Member(s) of the BC Legislative Assembly

Energy and Climate Solutions
Jobs, Economic Development and Innovation
Office of the Premier

Health

Top 5 Subject Matters in Active Registration Returns

Environment
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Finances and Budgets
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