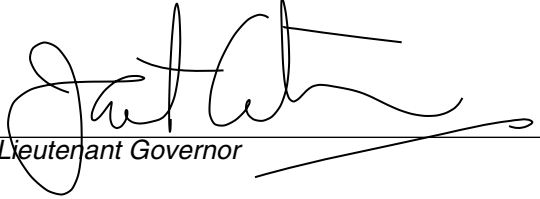


PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL

Order in Council No. 346

, Approved and Ordered June 22, 2020


Lieutenant Governor

Executive Council Chambers, Victoria

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that, effective July 1, 2020,

- (a) the Office of the Legislature Staff Oath Regulation is made as set out in the attached Schedule 1, and
- (b) the Public Service Oath Regulation, B.C. Reg. 228/2007, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule 2.



Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier



Presiding Member of the Executive Council

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section: *Public Service Act*, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 385, ss. 21 and 25 (0.1) and (2) (a)

Other: *OIC 436/2007*

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SCHEDULE 1

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATURE STAFF OATH REGULATION

Definition

- 1** In this regulation, “**office of the Legislature staff member**” means a person who is employed in the office of any of the following:
- (a) the Auditor General;
 - (b) the Chief Electoral Officer;
 - (c) the Human Rights Commissioner;
 - (d) the Information and Privacy Commissioner;
 - (e) the Merit Commissioner;
 - (f) the Ombudsperson;
 - (g) the Police Complaint Commissioner;
 - (h) the Representative for Children and Youth.

Form of oath

- 2** The prescribed form of oath for an office of the Legislature staff member for the purposes of section 21 of the *Public Service Act* is as follows:

As a public service employee appointed to an office of the Legislature, I _____
[employee name] do solemnly swear/affirm [circle one] that I will

- 1 loyally serve the people of British Columbia through the office of the Legislature to which I am appointed by exercising powers and performing duties in accordance with the enactments applicable to that office,
- 2 honour and faithfully abide by the standards of conduct that apply to me, and
- 3 to the best of my ability,
 - (a) act with integrity, putting the interests of the public and the office of the Legislature to which I am appointed above my own personal interest and avoiding all conflicts of interest, whether real or perceived,
 - (b) safeguard confidential information, not divulging it unless I am either authorized to do so or required to do so by law,
 - (c) base my advice, recommendations and decisions on the objective evidence that is available to me,
 - (d) serve impartially the office of the Legislature to which I am appointed, and

(e) conduct myself honestly and ethically, in a manner that maintains and enhances the public’s trust and confidence in the office of the Legislature to which I am appointed and does not bring that office into disrepute.

Sworn/Affirmed [circle one] by me, at, this day of
....., 20.....

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Person administering Oath or Affirmation

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Person giving Oath or Affirmation

SCHEDULE 2

1 *Section 0.1 of the Public Service Oath Regulation, B.C. Reg. 228/2007, is repealed and the following substituted:*

Definition

- 0.1** In this regulation:
 - “**office of the Legislature staff member**” has the same meaning as in the Office of the Legislature Staff Oath Regulation;
 - “**political staff member**” means a person described in the Schedule to the Standards of Conduct for Political Staff Regulation.

2 *Section 1 is amended by adding “an office of the Legislature staff member or” before “a political staff member”.*