

Application



Law Corporation Permit

This application form is to be used by a company applying for:

1. its first permit under Rule 9-4; or
2. a new permit after an earlier permit was:
 - a. revoked under Rule 9-11;
 - b. required to be surrendered to the Law Society under section 82(4) of the **Legal Profession Act** for failure to pay the renewal fee when it was due; or
 - c. has ceased to be valid for any other reason.

A separate application must be used for each intended law corporation

Name of company _____ (the "company")

Will the law corporation be operating trust accounts? (yes/no)

Name of member or articled student intending to practise law on behalf of the company: _____ (the "applicant")

If an articled student, state intended date of call and admission: _____, 20

Mailing address of applicant

Street _____
City _____ Province _____ Postal code _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

Business address of company, *if different* from applicant's mailing address shown above:

Mailing address of applicant

Street _____
City _____ Province _____ Postal code _____
Phone _____ Fax _____ Email _____

On behalf of the company, I apply to the Law Society for a permit under section 82 of the *Legal Profession Act*, so that the company may carry on the business of providing legal services to the public.

I declare that:

1. **Member or articulated student:** I am a member in good standing of the Law Society of British Columbia (“Law Society”), or an articulated student enrolled in the Law Society Admission Program;
2. **Incorporation:** The company is incorporated, continued or registered under the Business Corporations Act of British Columbia, and I enclose with this application a true copy of the certificate of incorporation, continuation or registration (as applicable) of the company and any other certificates which reflect a change in name or status;
3. **Good standing:** The company is an existing company and is, with respect to the filing of returns, in good standing with the Registrar of Companies;
4. **Voting shares:** All of the issued voting shares of the company are registered in the name of, and legally and beneficially owned by, the following one or more:
 - a. practising lawyer(s); or
 - b. law corporation(s) (use separate sheet if necessary):

Full name of shareholder	Address	No. and class of shares

5. **Non-voting shares:** All of the issued non-voting shares of the company are, to the best of my knowledge after having made due enquiry, registered in the name of, and legally and beneficially owned by, persons who are qualified to own such shares under section 82(1)(d) of the Legal Profession Act.
6. **Directors:** All of the directors of the company are practising lawyers.
7. **Persons practising law:** The only persons who intend to practise law on behalf of the company are:
 - a. the following members of the Law Society (use separate sheet if necessary):

- b. articulated students, to the extent permitted by the Law Society Rules;
- c. non-members of the Law Society who are employed by the company and who act under the supervision of a practising lawyer;
- d. individuals authorized for interprovincial permits (see sections 15(1)(e) and 16, Legal Profession Act); and
- e. practitioners of foreign law (see sections 15(1)(f) and 17, Legal Profession Act).

- 8. **Activities of the company:** The company will not carry on any activities, other than the provision of legal services or services that are directly associated with the provision of legal services. However, this restriction shall not prohibit the company from making investments pursuant to section 81(5) of the Legal Profession Act.
- 9. **Accuracy of application:** Except where stated to be to the best of my knowledge after having made due enquiry, I have personal knowledge of the declarations contained on this application form and of the information I have added in completing the form, and I declare that the declarations and information are true, accurate and complete and, as to matters stated to be to the best of my knowledge after having made due enquiry, I declare that I believe them to be true, accurate and complete.

Note: Please note that Rule 9-10 requires the president of the company, or his or her designate, to advise the Executive Director promptly in writing of any change to the information which is contained in this permit application form.

- 10. **Documents and fee:** I enclose with this application:
 - a. a true copy of the certificate of incorporation, continuation or registration of the company and any other certificates which reflect a change in the company's name or status,
 - b. a copy of the Law Society's Certificate Respecting Corporate Name, and
 - c. the permit fee fixed under Law Society Rule 9-4(c).
 - d. copies of its Articles, Notice of Articles and amendments to its Articles or Notice of Articles (please double-side these)

Note: Please retain a photocopy of this completed application for your records.

_____ Date

_____ Signature of applicant

Company's Certification

The company will, while it holds a valid permit issued under section 82 of the *Legal Profession Act*, comply with every provision of the *Act* and of the Law Society Rules which apply to it.

	Name of company
Date	Signature of officer
	Type name of officer

The information contained on this form is collected under authority of Part 9 of the Law Society Rules. The information provided will be used to process applications by companies for a permit to carry on the business of providing legal services to the public. If you have any questions about the collection and use of this information, contact Member Services, Law Society of British Columbia, 845 Cambie Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 4Z9, Tel. 604.669.2533, email: memberinfo@lsbc.org