

# Application

The Law Society  
of British Columbia



## Practitioner of Foreign Law Permit

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Complete this application fully and precisely; omissions or inaccuracies will delay your application. The declaration must be sworn before a Notary Public, Commissioner or other person authorized by the Evidence Act, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 124, s. 63 to take declarations. If the space provided for any answer is insufficient, complete your answer on a separate sheet. Sign and date the sheet and staple it to this form. The Credentials Committee may investigate or verify any information supplied on this application form, and may require further explanation from you.

Please review eligibility requirements before completing or filing this form.

PART A: Name and identification			
1. Given Name(s)		Surname	
2. Birth date (YYYY/MM/DD)			
3. Place of birth City		Province/State	Country
4. Drivers licence no.		Issuing jurisdiction	
5. Social security or other identification no. (optional)			
6. Have you ever used a name other than the above, formally or informally?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If "yes," list all the names you have used (last, first, middle) and indicate when you used them:			<i>Please <b>tape</b> a 2" x 2" passport-type photo of yourself taken within three months of the date of this application.</i>  <i>In the space provided below, write the date on which the photo was taken.</i>
Name		When used	
If the change in name was made by court order, attach a certified copy of the order.			Date of photo _____
PART B: Contact information			
1. Current address:			
Street		City	
Province/State	Country	Postal/ZIP code	
Telephone	Fax	Email	
2. <b>Using Schedule 1</b> , list all your former places of residence for the preceding 10 years. Start with the most recent.			

**PART C: Citizenship**

1. State the country or countries of which you have been or presently are a citizen:

Country	Citizen by:		If by naturalization, state date
	Birth	Naturalization	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**PART D: Professional standing and experience**

1. List in chronological order each law society or governing body of which you are now, or ever have been a member. Start with the most recent.

Date of admission (YYYY/MM/DD)	Law society or governing body	Address	Telephone	Status (e.g., active, retired, non-practicing, honorary)	Date of cessation (if applicable)

2. **Using Schedule 2**, list your complete employment history for the 10-year period immediately preceding the date of this application. Start with the most recent employment. State fully, on a separate sheet, the nature and extent of your legal experience.

3. Have you ever been refused admission to, been disciplined by or been disbarred or struck from membership in a law society or other professional organization?  Yes  No

If "yes," give full particulars:

4. Have you ever resigned from a law society or other governing body in exchange for disciplinary proceedings not being taken against you?  Yes  No

If "yes," give full particulars:

5. Are you aware of any complaint or charge pending against you in your professional capacity, which has not yet come to the attention of your law society or governing body, which might result in disciplinary action being taken against you?  Yes  No

If "yes," give full particulars:

**PART E: Professional liability insurance**

1. Name of insurer:

2. Address of insurer:

3. Policy or bond No.:

4. Policy or bond period: From (YYYY/MM/DD) To (YYYY/MM/DD)

[Under Law Society Rule 2-29(6)(b), a practitioner of foreign law permit ceases to be valid if his or her liability insurance coverage, bond, indemnity or other security is discontinued or reduced. A practitioner who has been issued a permit has a continuing obligation to inform the Law Society of the cancellation of, or any significant change to, his or her liability insurance coverage, bond, indemnity or other security.]

5. Limits of liability:

- a. for all claims arising out of a single act, error or omission or a series of related acts, errors or omissions (Cdn. dollars or equivalent): \$
- b. annual aggregate per insured: \$

6. Member deductible per claim: \$

7. Are the limits of liability inclusive of claims expenses and deductible?  Yes  No

8. Amount of bond, indemnity or other security (Cdn. Dollars or equivalent): \$

[Please enclose with your application documentary evidence that you are insured or carry a bond, indemnity or other security as set out above **and that it extends to services rendered by you while acting as a practitioner of foreign law in British Columbia.**]

**PART F: Good character**

If you answer "yes" to any of the questions in this part, **give full particulars** on a separate sheet, including the applicable dates, places, nature of acts or offences, and penalties:

1. Have you ever:

- a. been charged, in Canada or elsewhere, with any crime, offence or delinquency under a statute or ordinance, excluding parking or speeding tickets?  Yes  No
- b. received any combination of speeding and/or parking tickets totaling more than five in the last three years?  Yes  No
- c. been the subject of any alcohol or drug related driving prohibitions?  Yes  No

2. Have you ever, or has any company or partnership of which you are or were a director, officer or employee, ever been the subject of bankruptcy proceedings?  Yes  No3. Have you ever been a defendant in any civil action in which allegations of fraud, theft or misrepresentation were made against you?  Yes  No4. Is there, at the present time, a civil action or a civil judgment outstanding against you?  Yes  No5. Have you ever failed to obey a court order?  Yes  No6. Have you ever been imprisoned for failing to obey a court order?  Yes  No7. Have you ever been denied, or had revoked, a licence or permit whose procurement required proof of good character?  Yes  No

**PART G: Future plans**

1. If your application is approved, when do you intend to commence acting as a practitioner of foreign law?  
(YYYY/MM/DD)

2. Address in British Columbia:

Name of firm		
Street		City
Province/State	Country	Postal/ZIP code
Telephone	Fax	Email

3. Do you intend to reside full-time in British Columbia?  Yes  No

If "no," describe your plans in detail, including the frequency with which you intend to act as a practitioner of foreign law in British Columbia:

**PART H: Declaration of applicant**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly declare that:

1. I am the applicant described in this application;
2. I have personal knowledge of the information I have provided in this application;
3. The information is true, accurate and complete; and

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it has the same legal force and effect as if made under oath.

Declared before me at the \_\_\_\_\_ of  
 \_\_\_\_\_ in the Country of  
 \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
 \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**A notary public, commissioner, or other person authorized by  
 the Evidence Act, RSBC 1996, c. 24, s. 69 to take declarations.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature of applicant**

**PART I: Applicant's authorization and undertaking**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, the applicant in this application for permission to act as a practitioner of foreign law in British Columbia:

1. grant to the Law Society of British Columbia permission to ask any person, government, educational institution, police force, military authority, governing body or other organization about anything relevant to my application,
2. authorize any person, government, educational institution, police force, military authority, governing body or other organization enquired of under this authorization, to provide to the Law Society of British Columbia all information or documents requested by that Society;
3. undertake that, if permitted to act as a practitioner of foreign law in British Columbia, I will submit to the jurisdiction of the Law Society of British Columbia, and will comply with the *Legal Profession Act*, the Law Society Rules and the *Code of Professional Conduct for British Columbia*.

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of applicant**

**IMPORTANT**

Please ensure that you enclose with this application:

- any separate sheets used in the completion of any of the questions on this form (the separate sheets must be signed by you and stapled to this form);
- a certificate of good standing from each law society or other governing body of which you are a member; two Certificates of Character;
- documentary evidence that you carry professional liability insurance or a bond, indemnity or other security as described in Part E, and that it extends to services rendered by you while acting as a practitioner of foreign law in British Columbia; the permit application fee fixed by Rule 2-29(1) of the Law Society Rules; and
- any other documents relevant to this application.

*The information in this form is collected under Rule 2-29 of the Law Society Rules. The information provided will be used to process applications for a permit by practitioners of foreign law 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 a Credentials Assistant at the Law Society of British Columbia, 845 Cambie Street, Vancouver, BC V6B 4Z9, Tel. 604.669.2533.*

**SCHEDULE 1: Previous addresses**

List all your former places of residence for the preceding 10 years. Start with the most recent.

FROM YYYY/MM	TO YYYY/MM	Street	City	Province/State	Country	Postal/ZIP code

**SCHEDULE 2: Employment**

List your complete employment history for the 10-year period immediately preceding the date of this application. Start with the most recent employment. State fully, on a separate sheet, the nature and extent of your legal experience.

FROM YYYY/MM	TO YYYY/MM	Employer	Address	Postal/ZIP code	Telephone

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant