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British Columbia: Lawyer and Trust Company List

Legal professionals with knowledge of disability law

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This list is provided for informational purposes only and does not constitute Plan Institute's recommendation or endorsement regarding any person or entity on this list. Lawyers and trust companies on this list have varying degrees of experience regarding how disability may impact setting up your will and managing your trust. Some are more experienced than others and you should always ask them about their experience with disability and otherwise make sure you are satisfied with their credentials and experience before engaging them (as you would do with any other professional advisor). Plan Institute's policy is that we do not and will not endorse any company. You should discuss any fees, disbursements, or taxes that you will be charged with the professional you choose. We have some sample questions at the bottom of this document. Please note that many of the legal professionals and companies on this list provide services virtually to people anywhere in British Columbia through phone, email, and video call.

If you are having difficulty reaching the specific lawyer or legal professional on the list, it may be more effective to contact the general phone number and email address, as well as marking your query as "URGENT" for a faster response.

This list is also not exhaustive of all legal professionals experienced in disability rights and legislation. You can use Access Pro Bono's free Lawyer Referral Service if you want help looking into professionals that are not on this list. This Lawyer Referral Service helps British Columbians find a suitable legal professional to resolve their legal problem. Any BC resident can call them at 604-687-3221 to meet with a lawyer or a lower-cost articling clinician. For more information, please visit: accessprobono.ca/our-programs/lawyer-referral-service

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Coast Mental Health Trust is authorized under the provincial regulation to administer trust funds of up to \$500,000 within British Columbia.

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Concentra Trust typically only provides support for larger estates. Please reach out to them directly to confirm availability and associated costs.

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Tips to help you get to know the knowledge of your potential lawyer

When choosing a lawyer, it is crucial to find someone who understands disability issues as they relate to your estate planning needs. Keep in mind that not all lawyers understand wills and trusts, and not all wills and trusts lawyers will understand disability issues. Feel free to use the list below to help you determine if a lawyer is the right one for your needs.

Find out how much of their practice is devoted to estate planning. Many different law firms specialize in different areas of law. It is important to find a lawyer who has a wealth of knowledge regarding estate planning.

Ask the lawyer you are meeting with what percentage of their practice involves planning for people with disabilities and their families. This will give you an idea if they have some knowledge on the topic, or if they will have to spend time doing research.

Find out how many disability trusts they have done in the past year, five years, or ten years.

Ask them what some important key issues and considerations are that may arise while planning for a person with a disability; this will help illuminate their experience.

Ask them about specific laws that are in place when it comes to disability estate planning:

- Does the lawyer charge hourly, or is the service flat-rate based?
- Has the lawyer ever had a trust rejected by the Ministry, and if so, why?
- Are they familiar with the asset/income exemptions permitted within British Columbia's provincial disability benefits program?
- Can the lawyer assist with recommendations and the facilitation of discussions with prospective trustees knowledgeable in the area of disability trusts?
- Are they able to explain the difference between a discretionary and a non-discretionary trust?
- Can they articulate the relevance of the terms "ultimate beneficiary" and/or "the even-handed principal" with respect to disability trust development?

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