

TRIAL LAWYERS ASSOCIATION *of* BC

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Vancouver, BC. – The Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia have released the following statement in response to the release of the Legal Aid Services Review.

Since its inception TLABC has striven to enhance access to justice. We are proud to continue that fight by supporting the proposal to the Attorney general, “Restoring Funding for Legal Aid” produced by the Association of Legal Aid Lawyers (ALL). The continued lack of support by government for legal aid, and thereby access to justice, undermines the rule of law. It is disgraceful that we do not do more to support families and low income British Columbians as they struggle to deal with family break-ups, including the apprehension of their children, by properly funding legal aid. It is unacceptable that legal aid lawyers who help the most marginalized people in our community have seen only one pay increase in over 25 years.

TLABC stands in support of ALL’s members as they take the difficult decision to withdraw services to protest the on-going legal aid and access to justice crisis in this province.

TLABC will not be doing any media interviews on this topic.

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About TLABC

The mission of the Trial Lawyers’ Association of BC is to support and promote the rights of individuals in British Columbia.

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