

British Columbia Human Rights Tribunal

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Dear Stakeholders:

We are asking for your input again in our efforts to make the human rights process accessible, timely and fair. Please provide your feedback to my attention by **June 30**, **2015**.

We are seeking input on the following issues.

1. New Forms and Rules

It has been over nine months since we introduced a new set of forms and new Rules. We want to know what changes are working and what we can improve.

2. Public Disclosure of Participant Names

Rule 5 addresses orders limiting disclosure of personal information. The Tribunal is considering whether it should expand the scope of issues in which it would presume that the interests underlying non-disclosure of a party's name would outweigh the public interest in access to the tribunal's proceedings. One possibility is to expand the use of initials in place of party names for decisions about whether to accept a complaint for filing under s. 22 of the *Code*. We are interested in your views on this or other possible rules regarding disclosure of party names.

3. Submission Length

The Tribunal has a concern that the length of submissions in the application process is, in some cases, excessive. At the same time, it is necessary that all parties have a fair opportunity to make and/or respond to an application. We are interested in your views on whether the Tribunal should adopt a rule limiting submission length.

Yours truly,

Steven Adamson

Registrar