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## Policy History:

Approved by: Governance Committee

History of Revisions:

- Reformats but does not change content of Section 5 of “Policies Regarding Public and Media Access in the Provincial Court of British Columbia” February 2011, updated October 2011, and November 2012.
- December 16, 2020: amended further to Bill C-75 changes to the *Criminal Code* and other updates regarding publication bans. Divided into 3 sections for automatic bans, bans mandatory on application, and discretionary publication bans.
- September 13, 2021: amended section 4 to reference *Sierra Club of Canada v. Canada (Minister of Finance)*, 2002 SCC 41 and *Sherman Estate v. Donovan*, 2021 SCC 25.
- August 3, 2023: amended section 3 to remove reference to section 486.4(3) of the *Criminal Code* further to *R. v. Coban*, 2023 BCSC 14.

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