

# WHO'S LOBBYING WHO IN BC?

## Monthly Snapshot – February 2023

The following is a brief summary of new Registration Returns activated or re-activated between February 1 and February 28, 2023 under BC's *Lobbyists Transparency Act*.

To view full details of all Registration Returns, you must search the [Lobbyists Registry](#). For screenshots of various ways to search the Lobbyists Registry, see the [Getting Started - Reference Guide](#) pages 26 - 28.

1. Bill Anderson, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Carnival Corporation & plc in regard to the impact of the cruise ship industry on Canada's economy and tourism sector, actions to protect the environment, and protect the health, safety and well-being of guests.
2. Sebastien Anderson, a consultant lobbyist with Labour Rights Law, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of the Surrey Police Union regarding the transition from the Surrey RCMP to the Surrey Police Service as the Police of Jurisdiction.
3. Jeff Andrus, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies 360 Canada, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Small Housing BC Society regarding policy options to facilitate the adoption of gentle density solutions for consideration by the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, and the Ministry of Housing.
4. Ashton Arsenault, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of PointsBet Canada Operations 1 Inc. regarding single-event sports betting and associated economic impacts.

5. Michael Bailey, a consultant lobbyist with Western Policy Consultants Inc. is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Attorney General on behalf of ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc. in regard to developments and future possibilities associated with ContainerWorld Forwarding Services Inc.
6. Peter Csillag, a consultant lobbyist with Wellington Advocacy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Progressive Contractors Association of Canada regarding policy direction on the development of employment training programs and feedback on Employment Standards legislation, policy direction on the Labour Code and related legislation, advocating for the development and use of a fair, equitable and expedient British Columbia and Canadian environmental assessment and review process, and promoting policies, programs and initiatives that assist the government in achieving the stated objectives of the Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) but without the policies that stifle competition and limit the choices of skilled trades people in BC.
7. Cole Cyr, a consultant lobbyist with Colina Consulting Ltd., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Construction Maintenance and Allied Workers (CMAW) regarding labour legislation and policy that recognizes the unique nature of the construction industry, policy and program recommendations regarding skilled trades training in British Columbia, safe work environments, and an improved standard of living.
8. Cole Cyr, a consultant lobbyist with Colina Consulting Ltd., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver regarding changes to the legislation that would reduce costs for building affordable homes and an increase in the per-door contribution for affordable homes.
9. Dave Cyr, a consultant lobbyist with Cyr Consulting Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Habitat for Humanity Greater Vancouver regarding changes to the legislation that would reduce costs for building affordable homes and an increase in the per-door contribution for affordable homes.
10. Maeghan Dewar, a consultant lobbyist with Longview Communications and Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Parkland Fuel Corporation to engage on policy and program recommendations on including low carbon, regulatory flexibility and economic recovery, fuel pricing, and recovery arising from COVID-19.

11. Leila Farmer and Scott Takenaka, consultant lobbyists with Global Public Affairs Inc., are lobbying public officer holders at several public agencies, on behalf of Teck Resources Limited in regard to a variety of matters including advocacy on biodiversity and wildlife management; carbon tax, climate action; cumulative effects; energy competitiveness; indigenous affairs; innovation; land conservation; mine operations; mine permitting; supply chain; water quality; and Provincial – US transboundary matters.
12. Michael Gardiner, a consultant lobbyist with Strategies 360 Canada, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Operating Engineers' Pension Plan with respect to land suitable for development for affordable housing, including the potential sale of lands to the Province of BC.
13. Patrick Giesbrecht, a consultant lobbyist with Giesbrecht and Company, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of GWEB Holdings LTD to advocate the importance of housing and a particular housing project to regional board officials citing the local electoral area need and the support of First Nation's for the community project.
14. Leila Farmer, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Canadian Propane Association to advocate for advancement and further use of propane as a low emission fuel, on propane-related policies and regulations, and changes to energy or environmental policies relating to the propane sector.
15. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Dynacare-Gamma Laboratory Partnership regarding expanding access to laboratory medicine services in British Columbia through the community laboratories, and seeking approval to offer new testing services to support the province's healthcare objectives.
16. Nicola Hill, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Real Estate Foundation of BC in regard to policy recommendations to the Ministry of Finance, with reference to Real Estate Services Act, Part 7, Division 1, and the regulations concerning the Real Estate Foundation and appointment of members to the Foundation's Board of Governors.
17. Kema Joseph, a consultant lobbyist with Crestview Strategy, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Metrc, LLC. advocating the provincial government on partnering with Metrc and leveraging its expertise in cannabis regulatory systems.

18. Sajjid Lakhani, a consultant lobbyist with Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of British Columbia Association of Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists regarding new program recommendations to support communication health as it relates to education, health, children and seniors.
19. Sajjid Lakhani, consultant lobbyist at Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of British Columbia Association of the Appraisal Institute of Canada advocating for real estate data, particularly reducing or eliminating cost and access barriers for appraisers to Land Title and Survey Authority and BC Assessment data; advocating for working with appraisers, along with other real estate professionals and stakeholders, in its continued analysis and development of long-term planning housing initiatives to successfully provide affordable housing to British Columbians.
20. Sajjid Lakhani, a consultant lobbyist with Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office at several public agencies on behalf of British Columbia Construction Association on matters including policies, programs and initiatives that assist the government in achieving the stated objectives of the Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) but without the policies that stifle competition and limit the choices of skilled trades people in BC; develop public sector procurement capacity in accordance with the Guide to Calling Bids, Awarding Contracts and Trade Contractors Guide and Checklist, and Guidance for the Release of Information &/or Documents Related to Competitive Procurement Opportunities. BCCA is also working with industry stakeholders to introduce Prompt Payment Legislation for BC; and the development of employment training programs and feedback on Employment Standards legislation to ensure the ability of the British Columbia construction industry to remain competitive and have access to a suitable workforce.
21. Sajjid Lakhani, a consultant lobbyist with Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of British Columbia Funeral Association in regard to an increase in the amounts provided by the provincial government to funeral homes in order to support low-income families being able to receive dignified funeral including combining the Basic Professional Service fee and the Additional Service fee for a single increased rate.
22. Sajjid Lakhani, consultant lobbyist at Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Generation Squeeze regarding matters including recommendations to hold climate change to 1.5 Celsius; an accurate and meaningful assessment of spending by age; review of existing taxation schemes to identify opportunities to create more

affordable housing; commit to comprehensive carbon budgets; advocating that the provincial budget report on the ratio between spending on medical care versus spending on social investments and the Government of British Columbia develop budgets that work for all generations. This would include assigning a point-person for intergenerational fairness in budgeting processes.

23. Sajjid Lakhani, a consultant lobbyist with Impact Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of National Coalition Against Contraband Tobacco regarding action against contraband tobacco flowing into the province, through: the creation of a contraband tobacco enforcement team; funding for ongoing contraband tobacco investigations; supporting law enforcement in their duty to combat organized crime.
24. Bradley Lavigne and Jean-Marc Prevost, consultant lobbyists with Counsel Public Affairs Inc., are lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Encorp Pacific (Canada) regarding compliance with and opportunities for improvements to BC's beverage container recycling programs and regulations for stewardship agencies.
25. Jack Magnus, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs Inc., is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Canadian Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association regarding the adoption of hydrogen and hydrogen fuel technologies, carbon pricing, and policies encouraging reduction in CO2 emissions.
26. Claudia Nava Urdaneta, a consultant lobbyist with Ascent Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of The Dance Foundation to request support for the long-term future of the Scotiabank Dance Centre
27. Claudia Nava Urdaneta, a consultant lobbyist with Ascent Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at a number of public agencies on behalf of Praxis Spinal Cord Institute with respect to funding from Ministry of Health to support Praxis' activities in the areas of spinal cord injury research and care.
28. Mary Polak, a consultant lobbyist with Maple Leaf Strategies, Inc. is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Attorney General and the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy on behalf of Good Guys Recycling Inc. seeking to work with Ministry Staff to resolve outstanding land use issues.

29. Mary Polak, a consultant lobbyist with Maple Leaf Strategies, Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Waste Connections of Canada to advocate on solid waste management in BC.
30. Katie Shaw, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Evonik Canada Inc. in regard to a new clinical mRNA-LNP initiative.
31. Katie Shaw, a consultant lobbyist with Earnscliffe Strategy Group, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Loop Energy Inc. to identify opportunities for partnership and collaboration on technology, IP and business development efforts.
32. Scott Takenaka, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of D-Wave Systems Inc. in regard to the development of policy and funding to support practical quantum computing application development in British Columbia.
33. Scott Takenaka, a consultant lobbyist with Global Public Affairs, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Movie Theatre Association of Canada regarding policy changes that would allow the sale of liquor in movie theatres and on the transparency of BC's film classification program.
34. Gurpreet Vinning, a consultant lobbyist with Prospectus Associates, is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies on behalf of Shaw Communications Inc. regarding matters including a regulatory environment that encourages broadband investment and competition, policy and program recommendations on telecommunications companies accessing utility infrastructures and/or public right of ways and network communication services adoption by public sector entities and the terms in which they are procured.
35. The BC Association of Community Health Centres is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding Community Health Centre funding, regional governance involvement with Primary Care Networks across the province, involvement in health care planning and the development of new Community Health Centres.
36. BC Fruit Growers' Association is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding Proposals to re-implement an Orchard Replant Program; developing a one-time payment program to compensate BC tree fruit producers for the impact of COVID-19 and the Heat Dome of June-July 2021 on labour and other costs of doing business and to match US COVID-19 programs to assist direct competitors in Washington State; establishing a tax on food that will fund a BC Agriculture

Trust Fund, with a purpose of funding agricultural programs and projects; seeking a new regulation to establish an Apple Marketing Commission; seeking fair compensation of the province of BC for storage and release of irrigation water in Canadian reservoirs during the negotiation of an updated Columbia River Treaty; seeking compensation from these CRT revenues for any impacts of the related expansion of irrigated production in Washington State; and seeking to establish a Columbia River Treaty Agriculture Trust Fund.

37. BCTech Association is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding embracing technology and innovation as the critical driver of economic and job growth in BC in the coming decade, with a \$10M investment over 4 years in executive educational programming for entrepreneurs to acquire the skills and knowledge needed to successfully scaleup their companies beyond the startup stage; Increase the tech-savvy talent pool with greater access to and investment in education and skills training – by doubling annual investment in short-course credentials and the highly effective rapid re-skilling courses that enable workers - including many from under-represented groups - to re-train for a career in tech; Invest in capturing better data about BC's economy, particularly in the technology and innovation sector by investing \$3 million over 3 years in Budget 2023 to address this new economy data gap.
38. The British Columbia Cycling Coalition is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding several issues including requests for reform of the Motor Vehicle Act and requests for amendment to the Insurance Corporation Act.
39. Clean Energy Association of British Columbia is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding matters including funding for First Nations clean energy and policy and program recommendations on renewable energy development and utility planning, economic reconciliation, development of Indigenous Utilities and the need for a comprehensive energy strategy that is aligned with climate targets and the UNDRIP legislation.
40. Dynacare-Gamma Laboratory Partnership is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding expanding access to laboratory medicine services in British Columbia through the community laboratories, and seeking approval to offer new testing services to support the province's healthcare objectives.
41. Expedia Canada Corp. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding online travel companies and their impact on tourism across British Columbia, and with respect to policies related to the regulation of home sharing.

42. Great Canadian Gaming Corporation is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding the long-term sustainability and success of the casino sector in the province and the sector's continued recovery from the impacts of COVID-19.
43. Habitat For Humanity Victoria is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding making changes to legislation that would reduce the costs for building affordable homes, ensuring provincial government housing targets for municipalities include provisions requiring the municipality to demonstrate they have accomplished a number of Habitat for Humanity projects/builds in support of affordable housing, and seeking to increase per door contribution from the Government of BC for affordable homes.
44. Indivior Canada Ltd. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding the listing of its products and medicines on the British Columbia PharmaCare program formulary, the application of addiction treatments within provincial prisons and policies affecting patients with Substance Use Disorder, including Opioid Use Disorder.
45. Johnson & Johnson (Canada) Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding obesity care pathway strategies, healthcare delivery and domestic manufacturing of drugs and therapeutic products, and deployment of solutions and services in the healthcare field. These communications may also focus on policies and legislation impacting the evaluation, marketing, sale and use of pharmaceutical therapeutic products as well as solutions and services in the healthcare field in British Columbia.
46. Labour Rights Law is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding administrative law, employment law, human rights law, labour law, workers compensation law, Workers Compensation Act, and the transition from Surrey RCMP to Surrey Police Service.
47. Loop Energy Inc. is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding opportunities for partnership and collaboration on these efforts.
48. March of Dimes Canada is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding policy, program and funding recommendations on several matters including access to programs and services for brain injury and stroke survivors, creation of inclusive, accessible employment opportunities for people with disabilities and financial security for British Columbians with disabilities.
49. The Nature Conservancy is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding several matters including expanding government supports for Indigenous Guardians programs,



policies and programs to advance natural climate solutions to mitigate climate change, protocols for forest carbon offset projects, implementations of Marine Plan Partnership for the North Pacific Coast (MaPP) and development of Northern Shelf Marine Protected Area Network, implementing First Nations' Land Use Visions in Clayoquot Sound including changes to land use designations and economic development and conservation programs in provincial budget and economic recovery investments.

50. Rise Women's Legal Centre is lobbying public office holders at the Ministry of Attorney General regarding courthouse safety, Family Law Act and Regulations and funding for legal clinic.

51. YMCA BC is lobbying public office holders at several public agencies regarding funding for YMCA Community Programs and changes to policy or programs such as health and health promotion, early learning and child care, employment and training, housing, mental health and the government's stimulus response measures related to economic recovery and the role of the non-profit sector.

**The statistics below are for the month of February 2023, and are from publicly searchable reports in the [Lobbyists Registry](#).**

Top 5 Ministries/Provincial Entities in Active Registration Returns

Member(s) of the BC Legislative Assembly  
Finance  
Office of the Premier  
Health  
Environmental and Climate Change Strategy

Top 5 Ministries/Provincial Entities in Lobbying Activity Reports

Member(s) of the BC Legislative Assembly  
Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation  
Jobs, Economic Development and Innovation  
Office of the Premier  
Health

Top 5 Subject Matters in Active Registration Returns

Environment  
Health  
Economic Development and Trade  
Finances and Budgets  
Energy

Top 5 Subject Matters in Lobbying Activity Reports

Environment

Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Energy

Economic Development and Trade

Health

