Notice to Counsel



#91 — December 2014

Exceptional Responsibility Premiums

LSS revokes the current Exceptional Responsibility Premium ("ERP") *effective immediately*, and re-establishes the previous policy and process that was replaced by <u>Notice to Counsel</u> #88.

ERP will only be approved upon confirmation that Crown Counsel in your case is being paid in "Recognition of Exceptional Responsibilities" (as per the British Columbia Crown Counsel Association Agreement with Respect to Crown Counsel). LSS will increase any Criminal Case Management (CCM) fees and/or enhanced fees by 15 percent effective upon date of confirmation. This change is a result of discussions to renew the Memorandum of Understanding between LSS and the Ministry of Justice.

All pending applications for ERP received prior to this notice will be assessed according to the current policy. All approvals for ERP under the current policy will continue to be in effect and subject to the current policy. Any application for ERP received after this notice will be subject to the policy brought into effect by this notice.

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